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OUR LONDON LETTER. WHEN THE GREAT AIRSHIP RODE OUT THE GALE. HOW RENTS HAVE RISEN IN REGENT STREET.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]
LONDON, April 2nd.

PLANS FOR SINGAPORE.
I am informed that arrangements are being pushed forward to equip the air station which is to form an important part of the Naval Base at Singapore. Things are so far advanced that a new design of flying boat specially intended for use in the Far East has been sent to Felixstowe for official trials by officers of the Royal Air Force. This air craft is known by the name of the Southampton-Napier, the first name being suggested by the fact that it is the first of a type to be turned out at Southampton.

The flying boats for Singapore, have been modelled on a design that was originally used on the airway to the Channel Islands, and which proved to be so satisfactory that, fitted with two 430 h.p. Napier Lion engines, the air Ministry adopted the design for Service purposes.

FAMOUS COMPOSER.
Lovers of music everywhere will be interested and pleased to learn that the great service rendered to British music by Sir Frederick Cowen is to be recognised by the Music Club and will take place at the Hotel Cecil at an early date. Sir Frederick Cowen's name is a household word with the general public through his songs, as for instance, "The Better Land," "The Children's Home," and many others; but his splendid work in connection with musical festivals during the last 50 years will always command the appreciation of the musical world.

I hear that Mr. T. P. O'Connor, M.P., is to preside at the dinner, and the company will include Sir Edward Elgar, Sir Arthur Mackenzie, Sir Johnstone Forbes Robertson, Sir Landon and Lady Ronald, and Mr. Isidore de Lara.

WHO WANTS A SHIP?
Viscount Incheape, the shipping magnate and head of the P. & O. Co., is apparently continuing to act the part he has played so well in the past as ship-seller to the Government. At any rate, it is stated that five ex-enemy steamers have been placed in his keeping for disposal. These ships were seized in Indian ports during the war, and have been on hand ever since.

Lord Incheape sold for about £35 millions sterling the Government's fleet of standard ships and 400 other ex-enemy vessels, and it is a good thing for the taxpayers that he was willing to act as honest broker. There is an object lesson this week of what sometimes happens when old ships are put up for sale. Four of the "Belle" steamers which have plied for years from London Bridge to seaside resorts along the coast were placed under the hammer and only one bid was received, a beggarly £18,000.

A PRICELESS COLLECTION.
An enormous amount of interest has been aroused by the brief announcement in the papers that "Almina, Countess of Carnarvon has decided to sell by auction at Christie's the whole of the contents of her London house in Seymour Place. Lady Almina is, of course, now the wife of Colonel Dennistoun, who figured as defendant in the recent *cause celebre* in the Courts when the first Mrs. Dennistoun sued him for money lent and there was a great washing of soiled linen in public. Perhaps this has something to do with the attention that is being paid to the forthcoming sale.

The mansion contains the art collection bequeathed to Lady Almina by Mr. Alfred de Rothschild, and it is no exaggeration to say that there has not been such dispersal of treasures for many years. It is expected that the salerooms will be filled by collectors of all nations. Mr. Rothschild was known as an ardent, wealthy and discriminating collector of great taste, and he got together French furniture, Sevres porcelain, historical enameled, ancient, English and French clocks, and pictures and books which are absolutely unpriceable to-day.

I hear that the former Countess of Carnarvon has made up her mind to live almost entirely abroad in the future, and in that case, it is obviously of little use to keep up the establishment in Seymour Place.

RENTS IN REGENT STREET.
Surprising figures with regard to the ground rents in Regent Street, which has been in course of reconstruction in the last year or so since the old lenses fell in, are beginning to leak out. The ground rents in this favourite shopping centre are the property of the State, and the aggregate paid in 1913, the year before the war, was 244,000. This year, under the new leases that have been negotiated the ground rents have risen to the amazing total of 2,215,000, and the amount will be higher still when at last the whole street has been rebuilt. Besides this, the new leases are only for 90 years instead of the 99 years which obtained before the expiry of the leases that made re-building possible.

The remarkable thing is that in spite of the enormous increases in rentals which I have mentioned the new properties are so much in demand that would-be tradesmen in Regent Street are actually bidding higher than the ground rents asked for. It seems to suggest that big money can assuredly be made in this thoroughfare by means of the gentle art of selling over the counter.

ROYAL YACHTS.
I learn from a reliable source that it is quite on the cards that the Royal yacht *Victoria and Albert* upon which the King and Queen are making their Mediterranean holiday is likely to be scrapped as soon as she returns home and goes out of commission. She has never been considered a good sea boat, but on this trip she proved herself even worse than had been thought possible. People in a position to know are saying it was a fortunate decision to send the yacht round to the Mediterranean to meet their Majesties instead of allowing the King and Queen to embark at Southampton or Plymouth and make the journey all the way by water. Some had weather was encountered, and the *Victoria and Albert* behaved as badly as an out-of-date and faultily designed pleasure craft can behave in the Bay of Biscay.

In connection with this matter it is rumoured that the other Royal yacht, the *Alexandra*, is likely to be put into commission in time for the Cowes Regatta. She has been lying up in Portsmouth Harbour for about seven years, and it will be a mild sensation in the yachting world if she makes her appearance again with the King's flag at her masthead. The *Alexandra* is a much smaller vessel than *Victoria and Albert*, but she is compact and comfortable, and is easily handled.

THE RAIL.
The thrilling epic of the giant airship *R334* which broke away from her moorings—a huge mast to which she was attached by the nose—and drifted before a 50-mile per hour gale across the North Sea has been told you by cable; also how she made her way home again in safety as soon as the wind dropped sufficiently for her engines to be used to make headway to England. The country naturally took an enormous amount of interest in the story, which lost nothing in the telling when the descriptive reporters got busy. The adventure of the airship, of course, owed something to its public appeal to the imagination to the element of strangeness. The conditions had had no parallel in human experience, but the drama woven out of what happened was the old one of man's daring and resource when pitted against the elemental forces of Nature.

I am not sure at present whether the authorities will permit the results of the official inquiry into the accident to see the light of day. But it is a matter of profound interest having regard to the fact that before long we are promised commercial airship services to the East. What are the lessons of the experience of the *R334* when caught in the gale? One or two things are self-evident from the narratives already published to the world. There is the necessity for such engine power as will enable an airship to hold her own against the stiffest gale; and further, the need for stronger mooring masts.

The utmost satisfaction is felt in expert circles that the giant ship behaved so well. The fact has emerged beyond question that the lighter-than-air vessel when exposed to exceptional risks is developing the capacity to sustain them.

MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD.
I hear that there are ominous rumblings behind the scenes in the ranks of the Labour Party. There is very little doubt that the extreme men are dissatisfied with Mr. Ramsay MacDonald as leader, and they are determined to get rid of him by hook or by crook if it can be managed, and the sooner the better in their opinion. Mr. MacDonald's refusal at the recent Trade Union Conference at Gloucester to "put a rope round my neck for other people to pull," as he expressed it, has angered them. He declines to place himself at the disposal of a gallop towards nationalisation of mines, railways, etc., and other goals dear to the heart of the out-and-out Socialists.

It is understood that secret meetings of members of the Party of the anti-MacDonald section have been held in the last few days, and open rebellion against his leadership has been advocated. Moreover, it is said that some of the extremists have pledged themselves to work for the removal of Mr. MacDonald from the leadership, and further, it is said that the names of several men have been accepted as desirable successors. They will be approached on the subject, and in due course interesting developments may be expected.

FAMOUS PAINTER.
There has been a great deal of eulogistic writing about Mr. Sargent, the eminent painter, whose death has taken place at his home in Chelsea. He was rightly regarded as supreme in his own sphere. Most people think of Sargent as a portrait painter, and, of course, in this line he had no real rival among his contemporaries; but he was also great in panel decoration, while his amazing water colours have beyond question the seal of power. His greatest decorative panels are in America at the Boston Library and elsewhere, but there is also a noble panel in the Imperial War Museum in London representing soldiers at the front.

The most remarkable thing about Sargent's portraits was his ability to depict the personality of the sitter. Numerous stories are told to convey his genius in this particular direction. One relates to a man who was the patient of a well-known doctor. The man of medicine was baffled by the malady; he could not diagnose it, and no matter what he did the patient got no better. Mr. Sargent was, as it happened, painting the unhappy person's portrait, and the finished likeness showed unmistakably the signs of incipient insanity. This the doctor saw at once, though he had failed to detect it until he looked at Sargent's work, and the sequel to the story is that the patient died a year later a raving lunatic.

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts in their
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state:—

The May Settlement was negotiated on
the 27th inst., and during the period
under review very little business has
been done. Prices are more reactionary,
due more to the fact that the market has
become a little stale and has perhaps
temporarily overrun itself than to any
adverse developments. Money is not
quite so easy in native circles. Invest-
ment stocks remain firm, but Industrials
are on the weak side.

Banks—Hongkong & Shanghai Banks
have been dealt in up to \$1,310 and close
with buyers at \$1,295. The sterling value
is \$141 (middle).

Marine and Fire Insurances.—Unions
continue in demand and shares have
changed hands at \$300 to \$305. Canton
were sold at \$750. Langtases have buyers
at \$30 and China Underwriters at \$163.
Both China Fires and Hongkong Fires
are wanted at quotations.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and
Macao Steamboats are offering at \$383,
and could probably be obtained cheaper.
"Star" Ferries were placed at \$321,
and close with buyers at \$31. Douglas
Steamships are still neglected and re-
main at \$34 sellers. Tugs and Lighters
are weak at \$4.75.

Refineries.—China Sugars have fur-
ther receded and can now be had at
\$88. Malabons are also offering and
have sellers at \$91.

Oils and Mining.—Langkats are ruling
strong in Shanghai. The "Combined" have
buyers at Tls. 29 and the "Singles" at
Tls. 12. Explorations can be placed at
Tls. 5. Kailan Mines have risen to
60/-.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hong-
kong and Whampoa Docks have further
weakened, having been sold down to
\$112, but the market is slightly better,
and there are now buyers at \$113. Kow-
loon Wharves have also dropped and
after sales at \$104 have since been done
at \$101. Both Shanghai Docks and New
Engineerings are in demand, the former
could probably be placed at Tls. 136 and
the latter at Tls. 97.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Hong-
kong Lands are lower and have been sold
at \$91. Humphreys Estates have buyers
at \$159. Hongkong Realities have streng-
thened and are wanted at \$5. Hongkong
and Shanghai Hotels are on offer at
\$14.80.

Electric Companies.—Hongkong Elec-
trics have had a considerable set back
and have sellers at \$50. China Lights
have kept fairly steady and business was
done at \$32 for the "Combined" shares.
Hongkong Tramways weakened on ac-
count of the Settlement and were sold
down to \$40, but the market closes
stronger with buyers at \$40. Singapore
Trams were again largely dealt in and
close with enquiry for shares at \$153.
Cotton Mills.—No business was re-
ported under this section.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements
are weak with shares offering at \$71.
Dairy Farms continue in demand at \$32
and a sale at \$27 was reported. Hong-
kong Ropes "Combined" have sellers at
\$55. The "New" shares are enquired
for at \$10.20. Powells, after being in re-
quest at \$14, have now sellers at the
rate. Lane Crawfords were sold at \$17.
Taxis after sales at \$6.50 are asked for
at \$6.25.

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London
to-day is 2/2 and on Shanghai 7/3.

Forward Settlement Days.—23rd June
(Tuesday), 23rd July (Tuesday), 23rd
August (Tuesday), and 22nd September
(Tuesday).

OVERSEAS TRADE INCREASE

MARCH EXPORTS RISE BY NEARLY
A MILLION.

British imports and exports were both
greater in March than in February or
in March last year.
The Board of Trade figures for the
month are:—

	Imports.	Increase over February.	Increase over March, 1924.
March, 1925.	\$112,801,052	\$2,712,071	\$9,185,220
March, 1924.	\$70,300,379	\$72,924	\$29,200,512

For the first three months of this year
imports were valued at \$351,916,035, an
increase of \$50,349,194 on the corres-
ponding period last year. Exports for the
same period amounted to \$208,884,108,
which is an advance of \$15,371,412 on
the first three months of 1924.

The re-exports for March totalled
\$12,770,538, a rise of \$75,780 on March
last year. The three months' figures for
re-exports are \$39,917,798, which are
\$275,224 above those for the first quarter
of last year.

The imports of raw materials and
articles mainly unmanufactured rose by
\$4,460,426 over March, 1924. The prin-
cipal variations were an increase of
\$4,590,210 in raw cotton and cotton
waste, and a reduction of \$344,554 in
wool, raw and waste, and woollen yarns.

The increase of exports over March
of last year is almost wholly accounted
for by articles wholly or mainly manu-
factured, the amount under this heading
being \$28,707,233. Cotton shows an out-
standing advance of \$3,107,914, while
vehicles, including "locomotives," ships
and aircraft, are up by \$1,165,320.
Coal fell off by \$1,833,572.

THE RUBBER MARKET.

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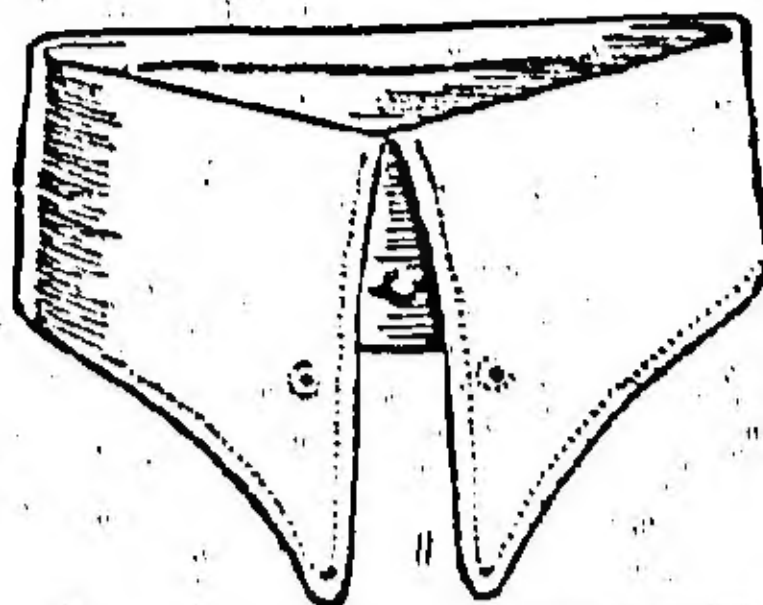
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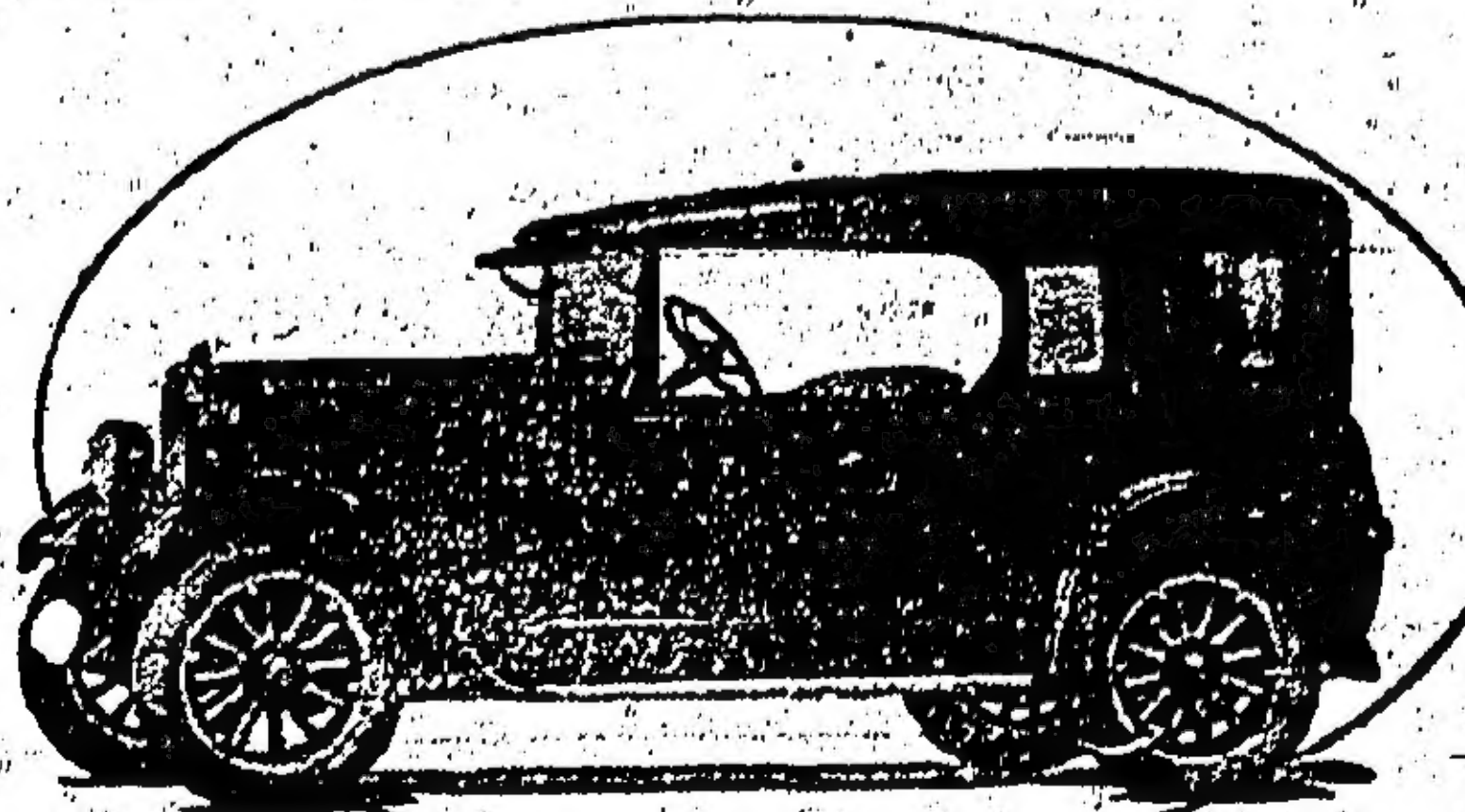
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COMPANY MEETINGS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

The 32nd ordinary yearly meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, was held yesterday at noon at the Society's office, Union Building.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak (Chairman) presided, and those also present were:—The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. J. A. Plummer, Mr. D. O. Russell, Mr. T. G. Weill and Mr. G. M. Young, M.B.E. (Directors) Mr. Paul Lander (General Manager) Mr. J. H. Sanders, Messrs. Ho Leung, Chau Siu Ki, A. H. Mckenzie, Chau Tait Nin, R. W. Paulden, E. H. Summers, D. H. Cameron, J. W. Alabaster, V. B. V. Ribeiro, M. A. Figueiredo, F. P. Silva, W. F. Gardner, F. P. de V. Soares, Lo Cheung Shiu, A. H. M. da Silva, B. M. C. da Cunha, V. L. dos Remedios, A. C. Hay, M. A. R. Souza, F. R. Smyth, H. Rutledge, G. S. Archbutt, A. W. Hughes, J. Ormiston, Ho Kom Tong, J. A. Worswick, Leung Yan Po, J. Arnold, U. C. Galluzzi, R. A. Dastur, Paul Hodgson, A. E. S. Alves, Ho Ki J. M. Alves, W. J. Hawker and E. A. Lees.

After the General Manager had read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen:—The Report and Accounts were issued on the 8th May and you will have had time to scrutinize our figures. I propose therefore to follow the usual procedure and take them, as well as the Auditors' Report, as read. The Working Account for the year 1924, after allowing for a bonus to contributors and an Interim Dividend of 24s. per share, shows that the balance available for distribution is £268,741. 1. 3, and your Directors recommend that this balance be dealt with in the following manner.

A Final Dividend of 16s. per share plus a Bonus Dividend of 8s. per share to the old shareholders of the Society and to those shareholders of the Yangtze Insurance Association Limited who accepted the Society's offer in respect of the new shares in the Society allotted to them. The balance together with the Dividend received from the Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited, in respect of shares in that Association taken in exchange by the Society will be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account. This balance is estimated at £262,572.

The Balance of the Working Account for the year 1924 stands at £268,741. 1. 3, and the Board recommends that an Interim Dividend of 24s. per share be paid to old and new shareholders and the balance carried forward. This balance is estimated at £262,572. The Board further recommends a transfer from the Re-insurance Fund of £27,000 to the credit of the Sterling Reserve Fund, which will increase this Fund from £195,050 to £222,050, and decrease the Re-insurance Fund from £1,923,793. 1. 1. to £1,901,793. 1. 1. I think you will agree that the time has come to strengthen our Sterling Reserve.

SATISFACTORY INCREASES.
Turning to the figures in the Balance Sheet you will notice that the Re-insurance Fund, Underwriting Suspense and the Exchange and Investments Fluctuation Accounts all show satisfactory increases over last year's figures. The Working Account Balance for the year 1924 shows a decrease compared with that of the preceding year. This is primarily due to the fact that considerable re-insurance has been effected in respect of our American Fire commitments.

Largely as a result of this Re-insurance the Premium Income for the year 1924 has decreased by £212,235. 12. 8, but, in consequence, our liability has been very considerably reduced, and we are of opinion that the ultimate result of our adjustments on the American Continent are being effected and we have every reason to anticipate that this portion of our Business will give the Society an improved return.

You will notice that the sterling equivalent of our Silver Reserve Fund shows a slight decrease as compared with last year. This is due to a fall in exchange rate this year being 2s. 2½d. as against 2s. 3½d. last year. You will realize that Exchange continues to play its part in the sterling equivalent shown in our Balance Sheet. For example at the 31st December, 1923, the Yen exchange was 2s. 2½d. and the Gold Dollar rate was 4.33, and on the 31st December 1924 they were 1/7½ and 4.73 respectively. You will notice that our Agency Commission for the year 1924 shows a decrease of approximately £90,000 and Charges show a satisfactory decline.

The conditions of Trade throughout the World during the past year are too well known to you to necessitate lengthy comment from me, but you will appreciate the fact that the Society's progress is largely dependent upon general commercial prosperity and until more favourable circumstances prevail, we must recognize that a large expansion of our business is not possible.

At the end of 1923 there were indications that rates had reached their lowest point and it was anticipated that an improvement would set in. I am sorry to say that this has not materialized and competition in all branches of Insurance was even keener during 1924 than in previous years, and this has forced a substantial reduction in rates. Marine Insurance, in particular, has been the subject of intense competition, and in common with other Underwriters of experience, the Society, on occasions, has found it necessary to allow business to pass rather than continue at rates known to be unprofitable. The competition does not cease at rate reduction, but has extended to the acceptance of liabilities under insurance policies that were never contemplated in the pre-war days of sound underwriting.

SOUND ORGANIZATION.

I am pleased to be able to tell you that our organization throughout the world is thoroughly sound—and your Directors are satisfied that when the hoped for revival in trade materializes we shall be in a position to take advantage of opportunities which will then occur to extend our Business. I would here emphasize that the efforts of our staff will be materially assisted by the direct support of shareholders, and your Directors confidently appeal to you to give the Society your personal assistance in this direction.

You will I am sure have been pleased to learn that the negotiations for the acquisition of the shares in the Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited, have been successful, and that at the present time the Society is allotting shares in exchange for shares in the Association. There is no doubt that this combination of working interests will prove of material strength to both Companies and it unquestionably places your Society among the great Insurance Companies of the World. I would ask you to remember that the figures before you in the present Balance Sheet do not include the "Yangtze" transaction, as the amalgamation will be completed during the current year. In our next balance sheet the additional Capital will be shown and the Funds of the Society will be augmented by the transaction.

You will no doubt join with us in your appreciation of the able and tactful manner in which our General Manager, Mr. Lander, conducted these negotiations and brought them to a successful issue. Mr. C. M. G. Burnie, the General Manager of the Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited, and who was for many years in the Society's employ, and in whom we have full confidence has been appointed Branch Manager of the Society at Shanghai and General Manager of the North China Insurance Company Limited. Mr. W. E. Smith who was, until recently, in charge of our Shanghai Business, has been appointed Inspector to the Society and its affiliated companies. Mr. Smith has had lengthy experience in the Society's service and we are sure his appointment will prove most beneficial to the Society's interests. Our Office in Shanghai has been transferred to the Yangtze Insurance Association's Building and our old premises on the ground floor of the Union Building have been let on satisfactory terms.

Considering the adverse conditions of trade I think you will agree that our present position reflects credit on the Society's staff and will heartily approve our following the usual custom of voting a bonus of 15 per cent. on salaries to the credit of those members holding Provident Fund Agreements.

THE YEAR'S DEATH-ROLL.
You will have learned with deep regret of the passing of our late General Manager, Mr. C. Montague Ede, who was so long and honourably associated with this Society and who played so large a part in its development. I am sure you will desire me to convey to Mrs. Ede and his family the sincere sympathy of this Meeting in the great loss they have sustained. He was a man of strong and striking personality the charm of which was felt by all who came in contact with him. His admiration for Hongkong and faith in its future were boundless. He continually worked for the public weal and the Colony is the poorer for his death.

Before concluding my remarks I would also like to express the deep regret your Directors feel at the death of Mr. A. R. Lowe who acted as our Auditor for a considerable number of years. Mr. Lowe's wise counsel and ability were of great assistance to us and the Colony has lost one of its most valued citizens. I have further to record with deep regret the death of Mr. John Prentice who at the time of his decease was the Chairman of the Yangtze Insurance Association Limited. He was kindly, generous, and public spirited and his death has been keenly felt not only by his friends in Shanghai, but by his many friends in this Colony also. Since issuing the present Balance Sheet the Society has received telegraphic advice of the death of Mr. Harry Matland who was a member of our London Committee. This news has been received with great regret. I now propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts and when this has been seconded I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions you may wish to ask.

A PLEASANT SURPRISE.
Mr. W. L. PATTERSON, in seconding, said: We have all followed with close attention the able speech just delivered. In the Financial Statement that has been placed before us I feel Shareholders have cause for congratulation, not only in that the figures show the Society to be in a very strong position in spite of the general world depression, and as remarked the Society's progress is largely dependent on general trade prosperity, but furthermore, that our Directors, in addition to the usual final and interim dividends for the years ending 1923/24, are able to recommend a bonus dividend of 3½s. per share in respect of 1923, which I am sure is very welcome to shareholders, particularly so, perhaps, during these hard times, and has, I think, come in the nature of a pleasant surprise to many of us. Although the return of Premium Income does not show up as largely as in previous years, this, as pointed out by our Chairman, is mainly due to the heavy re-insurance our Directors have considered advisable in respect of our American business, which it is satisfactory to learn is anticipated will show the Society an improved return. The wisdom of a cautious policy under the present adverse trade conditions will, I think, be appreciated by shareholders who will realize that a large Premium Income does not necessarily mean a correspondingly large profit. Speaking as an old Director of the Society, after careful scrutiny of the Accounts, I am

persuaded that the ultimate result of last year's working will show the Society to be in a stronger position than it has ever been.

Shareholders will view with satisfaction the recommendation of a transfer of £27,000—from the Re-insurance Fund to the credit of Sterling Reserve, which I am sure is a sound policy. The Sterling Reserve Fund, it will be noticed after the transfer has been effected, will amount to half the present paid up capital of the Company, but at the same time it must not be overlooked that the Yangtze Amalgamation is not shown in the Accounts under review, and next year when these figures come into the books the paid up capital will be increased accordingly. The wise policy of adding to our Sterling Reserve will, I am sure, continue to have the consideration of our Board.

An examination of the Accounts shows a considerable reduction in establishment charges, and it is satisfactory to know in these days of keen competition when economies in working expenses have to be considered so carefully, such a saving as that shown has been effected, and to be assured at the same time that the Society's organization throughout the world is so thoroughly sound, and ready to take advantage of opportunities which will present themselves for extending our business when the hoped for revival in trade eventuates.

I most cordially endorse our Directors' appeal to Shareholders to give the Society their personal support, and I think it is unnecessary for me to say that in so doing they are also furthering their own interests.

Shareholders heard with much pleasure of the successful negotiations for the acquisition of Shares in the Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., and I should like, on their behalf, to express our deep appreciation to our General Manager, Mr. Lander, for the able manner in which he conducted and brought these negotiations to a successful issue, and in so doing not only materially strengthened the position of both Companies, but also placed the Society in the proud position of being ranked among the great Insurance Companies of the world.

I should also like to take this opportunity, on behalf of shareholders, in expressing our appreciation of the appointment of Mr. Lander as General Manager of the Society in the place of the late Mr. C. M. Ede. Mr. C. M. G. Burnie, the General Manager of the Yangtze and for many years in the Society's employ, is well-known to most of us, and we extend our welcome to him on again being associated with the Union as Branch Manager of the Society in Shanghai and General Manager of the North China Insurance Co. Mr. W. E. Smith who, we note with interest, has been appointed as Inspector, is also well-known to us, and we hear with much satisfaction that his appointment is likely to prove beneficial to the Society's interests.

Shareholders will, I know, cordially endorse the bonus of 15 per cent. on the salaries of those members of the staff holding Provident Fund Agreements, realising it is only by the loyal co-operation of every member that the Society is in the position it is.

We also desire to join with you in expression of deep regret in the deaths of Mr. C. M. Ede, our late General Manager, Mr. A. R. Lowe, our late Auditor, Mr. John Prentice, late Chairman of the Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., and Mr. Harry Matland of our London Committee. These gentlemen were all of them well-known to us and personal friends of many of us, and their deaths are to be deplored. I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the Report and Accounts.

The report and accounts were carried unanimously.

DIRECTORS RE-ELECTED.
Mr. D. H. CAMERON proposed the re-election as Directors of the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Mr. J. M. Young.

Mr. B. A. DASTUR seconded, and this was carried unanimously.

Mr. J. H. SANDERS proposed the election of Messrs. Lowe, Binham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis as auditors at a remuneration of \$2,000 each.

Mr. J. M. ALVES seconded and this was carried.

The Chairman then announced that dividend warrants were ready, and could be had on application.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO.

The 58th ordinary yearly meeting of the China Fire Insurance Company was held after the previous meeting.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak (Chairman) presided, and those also present were:—The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. J. A. Plummer, Mr. D. O. Russell, Mr. T. G. Weill (Directors) Mr. Paul Lander (General Manager), Messrs. L. F. Townsend, J. A. Worswick, J. W. Alabaster, A. E. S. Alves, M. A. R. Souza, V. L. dos Remedios, V. B. V. Ribeiro, G. S. Archbutt, E. A. Lees, A. C. Hay, B. M. C. da Cunha, W. F. Gardner, and F. H. Farnie.

After the General Manager had read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen:—The Report and Accounts were issued on the 8th May and, subject to your approval, I will follow the usual procedure and take them, as well as the Auditors' Report, as read.

The Working Account for the year 1923 shows a balance of \$923,301.01 to be dealt with. Your Directors recommend that this balance be appropriated as follows:—

Dividend of \$7.00 and Bonus of \$3.00 per share on 20,000 shares \$200,000.00
To carry forward to Underwriting Suspense Account 723,301.01
\$923,301.01

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"I MUST HAVE LIBERTY."

CURRENT UNIVERSITY UNION MAGAZINE.

The latest issue (May, 1925) of the Hongkong University Union Magazine has made its appearance and contains about 150 pages of letter press and a number of illustrations. On the front cover is the quotation:

"I must have Liberty
Withal, as large a character as the wind,
To blow on whom I please."

JACQUES.
It is a pleasing idea, but most of us find that, in an unorganised society, there are limits to the liberty of the individual, whether he be a writer or some one in a more exalted position. In this case, however, we find no traces of any whirlwind, but plenty of very readable articles and reports of the activities of the various University Societies.

In two pages of editorial there is a general plea for Harmony. "Events of the past year have taught us some lessons, and we can only look back with pangs of bitterness." That sounds rather depressing. Later on, however, we are assured that "to Harmony we owe the stately order of things in a 'Temple of Learning.' ... But a 'Temple of Learning' is a Temple of Love; therefore, our laws should be made without recourse to force." It is easy enough to make the laws without recourse to force, but to make them respected and obeyed. As the final words of the Editorial state: "To heavenly harmony reduces the seeming chaos," a pious prayer which might ascend from many Temples for the benefit of poor, distressed China!

The address of the Chairman of the University Union on Dr. Sun Yat Sen reads extremely well. It is a hopeful sign of Young China that such a well-balanced eulogy of a national hero was compiled by a Chinese undergraduate of the Hongkong University. We cannot refrain from quoting three sentences:—

"Dr. Sun Yat Sen nourished ambitious projects for China, but he certainly cannot be said to have encountered the same degree of success as in the case of Lord Curzon, or indeed, of any other of his contemporaries. Circumstances, however, had rarely favoured Dr. Sun; he fought single-handed against a combined force disciplined in most abhorrent conservatism and corruption, and in a sense, he lost himself in futility. That is one of the saddest tragedies of life."

The praise for Dr. Sun is restrained and deserved, an address, such as this, is of the type that makes us sanguine of the new generation in China.

As we have said the bulk of the contents of the magazine consist of reports of various University Societies, and these are chiefly of interest to the members. There are, however, many original contributions, one on "Mah Jong Swindling" by Lim is very entertaining. Mr. Edward Ho Tang contributes long letters from London on the Imperial Conference of Students held at London and Cambridge in June, 1924, and on the Congress of the Confederation Internationale des Etudiants at Warsaw in September, 1924. He attended both conferences as a delegate from the Hongkong University. Professor T. L. Shellshear writes on the "Recent Conference of the China Medical Missionary Society." A couple of pages of blank verse is devoted to "The Hongkong Flapper." Professor Middleton Smith writes "Some Memories of Life in the University," which deal with the early days of the institution.

Finally, probably to prove how up-to-date is the Magazine, there are cross word puzzles, for which Mr. Poussey Fane has promised a cricket bat as a prize.

On the whole, it is a very good number and one that should appeal particularly to the many graduates of the University who are scattered over the Far East.

BULBS.

SAD CANTON STORY—WITH A HAPPY ENDING.

Taking advantage of the bankruptcy of a certain Chinese electric lamp bulb factory in Hongkong, says the *Canton Gazette*, foreign merchants have raised the price of the bulbs so high that each one was being sold for fifty cents. Fortunately, during the past few weeks, large consignments of bulbs have been imported to Canton from Japan and Holland and consequently the price has dropped much lower. At present each bulb is sold at thirty cents only.

Turning to the Balance Sheet you will notice that Sterling Exchange this year in 2/3½ as against 2/3 last year. The balance at credit of the 1924 Account is \$1,029,256.97.

I now move that the Directors' Report and Statement as presented be adopted, and when this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions that may be put.

Mr. G. S. ARCHBUTT seconded, and this motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. B. M. C. DA CUNHA proposed the re-election of the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Mr. D. O. Russell as Directors.

Mr. P. H. FARNIE seconded, and this was carried unanimously.

Mr. J. A. WORSWICK proposed the re-election of Messrs. Lowe, Binham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis as auditors at a remuneration of \$750 each.

LOCAL TURF TOPICS.

IRONIES WHICH MAY PAY TO FOLLOW TO-DAY.

[BY ASSOCI.]

The fifth extra race-meeting, under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club, to be held to-day and Monday, on the Happy Valley race-course, will ring down the curtain for the first half of the year.

Indications are that the period of rest has come none too soon for many of the ponies in training and fields will probably be smaller than usual. Upsets may be the order of the day.

Racing commenced at 2.30 p.m. with the Cheban Handicap ("H" class 6 furlongs).

Of the eighteen ponies weighted, the following may go to the post: Gaudie (Mr. Davies), Jumbo (Mr. Pollock), Valiant (Mr. Gibson), Two Pairs (Mr. Potts), Uncle Tom (Mr. Harriman), Tootsie (Mr. da Rosa), Hailsham (Mr. C. Thompson), New York (Mr. Brodie), and Solly (Mr. Buck).

It is possible that Gaudie, who will be the mount of Mr. Davies in the absence of Mr. Doyle, who will not be seen in the saddle till Monday, will be reserved for the 1 1/2 mile race later in the day. Whether he starts here or not, I fancy that both Jumbo and Valiant will prove too speedy for him at the weight, and I also prefer the chance of Two Pairs.

The conditions of the second event, the Granville Stakes, have led to a good deal of misunderstanding, partly due to the clumsy wording, but the weights allotted in the latest programme issued are correct except in the case of Uncle Charlie, whose poundage should read 152 and not 150.

The distance is one mile. I anticipate the field will, at any rate, include: Phenomenal Dablia (Mr. Harriman), if the pony is saddled at all during this meeting, Saligia (Mr. Pollock), Blotting Paper (Mr. C. Thompson), Beauty Dablia (Mr. Davies), Wimmera (Mr. Gibson), Wasp (Mr. da Rosa). Mr. Gibson may decide not to start Wimmera, as he had better be left out of present calculation. A.B. is another pony that may go here or in the first event, but in neither race do I fancy his chances. This race should prove an exciting struggle between Wasp, Saligia and Blotting Paper and I fancy Saligia will earn his first winning brackets.

Beauty Dablia will probably be sent in the last event.

The Cheban Handicap "A" class follows. It will probably attract: Gypsy Love (Mr. Buck), Rothsay (Mr. C. Thompson), Seattle (Mr. Brodie), Gray Streak (Mr. Pollock), Gyp (Mr. Harriman), Rayfield (Mr. Gibson), King Emperor (Mr. Davies), and possibly Wasp (Mr. da Rosa) if he is not sent out in the previous race.

If King Emperor will give of his best, he should win as he likes as he is "checked" into the handicap. Seattle, however, is a nicely weighted as is Rothsay, but Gypsy Love should be able to beat both. Mr. Harriman's pony should pay to duck both ways, though I cannot tip him even for a place owing to the pain in his temper. Gyp is another pony that will attract support, but I shall rely on Gypsy Love, despite the fact that Mr. Buck has not yet scored him to victory.

The Ribblesdale Stakes should appeal to the owners of: Grey Morn (Mr. C. Thompson), Chicago (Mr. Brodie), and Dictator Dablia (Mr. Harriman).

Many expect Chicago to lower the colours of Grey Morn. I am not among them and fancy the order at the finish will be as indicated above.

The Novice Race is next on the card and will attract the biggest field of the meeting. At the time these notes are being written, the following starters are indicated: Saracen (Mr. Buck), The Little or Alcanta (Mr. da Rosa), Auchencroch (Capt. Hall), Teashop (Mr. Potts), Quab (Mr. Stanton), Stino (Mr. Simmonds), Tadworth (Mr. Nease), Uncle Charlie (Mr. Bartholomew), Deacon Boy (Mr. Hupph), May Leaf (Capt. Ovington).

If Saracen cannot win this event, he had better be tried on the pole-field for a spell. Auchencroch and Teashop will probably fill the other places. In the event of Mr. Nease not being available for Tadworth, I understand Mr. Bartholomew will have the mount. In this case Mr. Baker, a new-comer from Shanghai, may have the ride on Uncle Charlie, if he is not engaged for any other pony.

The penultimate event will probably attract Gaudie (Mr. Davies), Boldorney Star (Mr. Brodie), Mowgli (Mr. Harriman), Langat (Mr. Pollock), A.B. (Mr. da Rosa), Uncle Charlie (Mr. Buck), if not sent out earlier.

Probably the order at the finish will be: Mowgli, Gaudie and Boldorney Star.

The last event should see the following right go to the post: Golden Chrysanthemum (Mr. da Rosa), Grey Knight (Mr. Pollock), Curiousy Shop (Mr. Nease), Loch Rannoch (Mr. C. Thompson), Poppy Leaf (Mr. Harriman), Baby Eyes (Mr. Brodie), Uncle Alf (Mr. Buck) and possibly Beauty Dablia (Mr. Davies).

The unlucky Grey Knight will probably again find a number of supporters, but I prefer the chances of Loch Rannoch, Golden Chrysanthemum and Beauty Dablia, not to mention Poppy Leaf, whom I shall pick to win.

I fear that both Grey Knight and Golden Chrysanthemum are not as fit as at last meeting. Judging from recent gallops. In selecting Poppy Leaf, I am attracted by the light impact, compared to what he has carried in the past.

My selections read:—

Race I:—

1. Jumbo.

2. Valiant.

3. Two Pairs.

Race II:—

1. Saligia.

2. Wasp.

3. Blotting Paper.

(Continued at foot of next Column.)

LOCAL SPORT.

BOXING.

FOUNTS AT MURRAY BARRACKS LAST NIGHT.

The "Montague-Bates" Platoon Boxing Tournament was continued last night, at the Murray Barracks, when the contests were of a high standard. The results were as follows:—

FLY-WEIGHTS.

Pte. Quelch (1) v. Pte. Edwards (R.S.). Edwards won on points.

BANTAM WEIGHTS.

Pte. Felham (9) was scratched and Pte. Foster (R.S.) had a walk-over into the semi-finals.

Pte. Westfry (13) v. Pte. Baxter (1). Westfry had a walk-over into the semi-final.

Pte. Dawson (4) v. Pte. Kercher (10). Dawson won on points.

FEATHERWEIGHTS.

Pte. Holcombe (12) v. Pte. Ward (1). Holcombe knocked out his opponent in the second round.

Pte. Cooper (2) v. L.C. Rock (R.S.). Although Rock was very aggressive, Cooper landed oftener and was the better defender. Cooper won.

Pte. Bowles (D.S.) v. Pte. Tucker (1). Tucker forced the fighting and landed often; but Bowles bent on a knock out, found an opening and made no mistake with a heavy right to the jaw in the first round.

LIGHTWEIGHTS.

Pte. Williamson (31) v. Pte. Bristowe (2). Williamson forced the fighting continually, Bristowe being knocked out in the first round.

Pte. Key (32) v. Pte. Parsons (9). Parsons was knocked out in the first round.

L.C. Leavy (D.S.) v. Pte. Ballard (R.S.). A good fight in which Leavy was the more aggressive, but he often swung erratically. Leavy won.

Pte. Piner (10) v. Pte. Simmonds (7). The first round was a gruelling contest. Piner receiving heavy punishment but being wonderfully game. The fight was stopped in the second round, Simmonds winning.

WELTERWEIGHTS.

Pte. Mann (11) v. L.C. Muffett (D.S.). Muffett did nothing but continually cover his face with his gloves and the fighting throughout was done by Mann. Mann won easily.

Pte. Edwards (4) v. Pte. Pooley (3). Edwards was badly shaken in the first round but was game as a pebble. He was, however, knocked out in the second round.

Pte. Dewberry (R.S.) v. Pte. Hopkins (14). This fight was a hammer and tongs affair, both men, though often erratic landing heavily. Dewberry was knocked down twice in the first round. The second round was also a slashing encounter; so, too, the third. Dewberry won.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS.

Sgt. Hicks (10) v. Pte. Eaton (4). Eaton was the aggressor and Hicks gave up in the second round, having injured his right hand.

L.C. Wright (R.S.) v. Pte. Ballan (2). Wright was sent down by a nasty right, early in the first round, but afterwards found his feet and fought well. Wright heavily punished his opponent in the second round, flooring him twice and succeeded in knocking him out in the third round.

Pte. Hooper (D.S.) v. Pte. Probita (1). Hooper was knocked out in the first round.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS.

Pte. Siles (10) v. Pte. Gravett (7). Gravett knocked his man out in the first round.

Pte. Roberts (4) v. Pte. Laight (14). A good first round saw Laight superior, but in the second round the fight was waged somewhat evenly. In the third round, both men were tired out and their blows lacked vim. Laight won.

L.C. Brand (R.S.) v. L.C. Bennett (2). In the first round, Brand was the aggressor, but Bennett landed often and heavily in the second round, but in turn took some stinging rights on the face and body. After a well-fought third round, Brand was declared the winner. The tournament will be concluded to-night, when the semi-finals and finals are down for decision.

WHITSUNTIME GOLF.

The following golf competitions have been arranged to take place at Fanning during Whitsun:—

Running Bogey Pool.—Entrance, \$1. Unlimited entries, no competition unless 50 cards are taken out. Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Also in connection with above for best medal score under handicap, a prize presented by Mr. H. Hancock.

Ladies Foursomes.—Two prizes for best medal score under handicap (11 combined handicaps) over last 9 holes of new course. Unlimited entries—no entrance fees. The competition will be cancelled unless at least six different pairs compete.

Race III:—

1. Gypsy Love.

2. Rothsay.

3. Seattle.

Race IV:—

1. Gray Morn.

2. Chicago.

3. Dictator Dablia.

Race V:—

1. Saracen.

2. Auchencroch.

3. Teashop.

Race VI:—

1. Mowgli.

2. Gaudie.

3. Boldorney Star.

Race VII:—

1. Poppy Leaf.

2. Beauty Dablia.

3. Loch Rannoch.

H.V.D.C. SPORTS.

MONDAY'S INTERESTING PROGRAMME.

Providing the weather proves kind on Monday, there should be a large gathering on the Hongkong Football Club's Ground at Happy Valley, despite the counter attraction on the race-course, on the occasion of the first annual athletic meeting of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

The programme is a full and interesting one, and commencing at 2 p.m., the sports open, with the high jump, followed by throwing the cricket ball and long jump. Other events are: 100 yards race, 220 yards, a blind-fold race, 400 yards three-legged race, 880 yards, 120 yards hurdles, an open mile event—for which post entries will be received—putting the shot, three mile race, obstacle race, one mile race, relay race and the final of the Tug-of-war.

The sports are being held under the patronage of H.E. the Governor, Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G.; H. E. the General Officer Commanding, Major-General C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.; and Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, R.N. The president is Lieut-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O. (Commandant of the Corps); while the duties of Hon. Secretary and Treasurer are being carried out by 2nd Lieut. E.J.R. Mitchell and Pte. A.C.I. Bowker respectively.

The Band of the 5/2 Punjab Regiment, by the kind permission of Major C. T. Smith and Officers, are to play during the afternoon.

The Committee express their thanks to the following donors of prizes:—Lieut. Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Capt. R. Melville Smith, M. B. E., Capt. J. B. Ross, Lieut. C. Wilson, V. D. Lieut. S. J. Jordain, 2nd Lieut. H. B. D. Adams, E. J. R. Mitchell, R. L. Moncrieff, K. S. Morrison, "Officers' Mess" H.V.D.C., "Sergeants' Mess" H.V.D.C., Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, Messrs. A. H. Barlow and A. H. Ferguson, Doctors Harston, Marriott and Black, Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Hongkong Bank Mess, Hongkong Cricket Club and the Hongkong Football Club.

For the purpose of competition for the Unit Challenge Cup presented by Lieut. Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., each unit has been allotted a distinguishing colour and the Corps divided into eight sections as under:—Artillery Company, Engineer Company, Mounted Infantry, Armoured Car Section, Machine Gun Platoon, Infantry Company, Scottish Company and Reserve. Points will be awarded for the various events.

FOOTBALL RESULTS.

One event in connection with the sports has already been decided, namely the six-a-side football tournament, in which the Infantry Company, who defeated the Engineers by four goals to nil in the semi-final, secure the winning points in the competition through having defeated the Scottish Company in the final by 2 goals to one. The Scottish Company defeated the Mounted Infantry by 4-1.

In the semi-final of the tug-of-war this week the Engineers beat the Armoured Car Section and will now meet the Scottish Company in the final on Monday.

Yesterday afternoon, heats in the 100 yards, 200 yards and "throwing the cricket ball" were decided at Happy Valley and on Monday morning the heats in the 440 yards, 120 yards hurdles and long jump will be decided.

BOWLS.

TO-DAY'S COMPETITIONS.

The following are the league games down for decision to-day:—

First Division.

Taikoo R.C. v. Craigswater C.C. Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C. Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon Dock R.C.

Second Division.

R.H.K.Y.C. v. Taikoo R.C. Indian R.C. v. East Point R.C. Police R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

BASEBALL PRACTICE.

The Hongkong Baseball Club has arranged a practice game to be played against the Philippine Club nine at four o'clock this afternoon, at the Happy Valley Diamond.

The Americans will probably line up as follows:—Lattie, catcher; Werschul, E. Shank and Dome; Pitchers: Harlow, 1st base; Church, 2nd base; C. Shank, short stop; E. Wilson, 3rd base; Lane, Hogan, Hawkins, Dome, Le Fevre, and Harper, outfield and utility.

A meeting of all interested in the formation of the baseball league is to be held early next week, after which it is hoped to get baseball in full swing for a successful season.

RHYMES OF THE ROADS.

IV.

PLUNKETT'S GAP.

Who was Plunkett, of Plunkett's Gap?
No one seems to remember the chap.
Somebody thinks he was C.R.E.
In the distant past;—or a G.O.C.
He wasn't in Government. That we know,
And that is about as far as we go.
Nobody now has time to crawl
Through the dusty files in the City Hall.
Outside the Blue-Book, dead or alive,
Who'll know who we were in '75?

E. W. H.

SUPREME COURT.

DEFENDANTS WITHDRAW BUT CASE TO GO ON.

The probate action concerning the goods of Chan Yui (deceased) in which the co-heirs deny the right of Chan Yung to a grant of letters of administration was continued in the Supreme Court yesterday, before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan). The claim is being made on the ground that plaintiff is the only adult next of kin and is, therefore, the rightful guardian of the two sons.

Mr. G. Alabaster, K.C., with Mr. Easley Zeily (instructed by Mr. J. A. Gordon Leach) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., with Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. H. K. Woo) appeared for the defendant.

Continuing his argument for the defence, Mr. Jenkin sought to show the raised dignity of a co-heir who had been appointed a *curator*, and said that mourning was an important indication. He was surprised at the suggestion, of the other side, that a co-heir was a chattel and nothing more.

When Mr. Jenkin had concluded his address, the Court adjourned, and on resuming Mr. Alabaster said as far as his client was concerned they had dropped the case and would withdraw.

Defendant is to continue *ex parte* his claim for letters of administration, and this case will open on Thursday next.

DEVELOPING CONCENTRATION. LECTURE TO THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

At the weekly public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society on Wednesday evening, the hon. secretary, Mr. H. E. Lanepart dealt with "The Culture of Concentration."

One thing we all needed at all times, said the lecturer, was concentration of purpose, of thought, of feeling and of action. This did not mean a narrowing or limiting of our thoughts or activities, nor loss of human sympathies and interests, but increased thoughts, increased activity and widened sympathies.

"We must," declared Mr. Lanepart cheerfully, "live lives of constant work and study and observation, in blameless virtue and high-mindedness." Concentration could not be fully accomplished unless we prevented the accumulation of personal thoughts which gave to things their agreeable or disagreeable aspects. As the train of thought always followed the mood, we must dominate the mind by a permanent mood stamped upon it by the will. Having selected the permanent mood we "will" to have, we should eliminate from it all of those things which agitate it in any way.

Then, the higher possibilities beyond the brain would open before man endless vistas of knowledge and power.

All of which, of course, is very beautiful but does not give us any really practical help in securing the wherewithal with which to buy the baby her much needed pair of new shoes.

LAWN BOWLS.

HONGKONG ASSOCIATION MEETING.

A meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association was held yesterday evening in the Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, Inspector Kent presiding. Those present were: Messrs. D. Gow (President), A. McFarlane (Secretary), J. Laine, J. McLaughlin (Treasurer), S. T. Williamson (Yacht Club), W. Goldenberg and A. O. Brown (K.C.C.), R. Basa (C.C.C.), J. Grant (Police), A. Alderman and J. Smith (Civil Service), P. Farrell, and R. Lapsley (Kowloon Bowling Green).

The meeting decided to accept the Cup presented for competition by Messrs. Watson. On the proposition of Mr. Gow, seconded by Mr. Brown, it was decided to run a knock-out competition for the cup, each club to be represented by one rink, and the cup to be played for every year. It was agreed that the entrance fee be \$5 for each club, the entries and fee to be forwarded by June 15th.

SELECTION COMMITTEE.

The following selection Committee was appointed, for the purpose of appointing an interport team: Messrs. Kent, Gow, McLaughlin, Grant and Lapsley.

With regard to the Open Championship, a motion by Mr. Laine to rescind a decision came to at a previous meeting to the effect that the entries should be drawn from a hat, the first player drawn to have the choice of ground, was defeated by 9 votes to 4. It was mentioned that the total number of entries received was: Singles, 58; pairs, 35.

The meeting also decided that the arrangements for the cup competition should be left in the hands of the committee responsible for the open championship.

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BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd JUNE.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1925. [2256]

INSURANCE OFFICES.

NOTICE.

WHIT MONDAY AND KING'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ALL FIRE and MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, 1st, and WEDNESDAY, 3rd JUNE, 1925. [2257]

By Order,
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
First Insurance Association of Hongkong,
Marine Insurance Association of
Hongkong and Canton.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1925. [2258]

NOTICE.

THE Public is hereby notified that On and After TUESDAY, JUNE 2nd, the following Fast Trains on SUNDAYS and PUBLIC HOLIDAYS will be DISCONTINUED.

8.35 a.m.—Kowloon to Naam Chui.
5.20 p.m.—Shek Chui to Kowloon.

H. P. WINSLOW,
Manager,
Kowloon-Canton Railway.
Kowloon, 30th May, 1925. [2257]

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on MONDAY, 1st JUNE, 1925, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1925.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 3rd JUNE, to TUESDAY, 9th JUNE, 1925, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1925. [2258]

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED, desires to draw the attention of Ferry Passengers to the Company's By-Law No. 5, which reads:

"No person shall alight or attempt to alight from or shall enter or attempt to enter any launch while in motion or shall alight or attempt to alight from or enter or attempt to enter any launch except by the proper entrance or exit, and no person shall climb over or attempt to climb over any barrier or gate erected on any wharf used by the Company's launches."

Any person committing a breach of this By-Law will be liable to prosecution.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1925. [2260]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "TIBETIAN" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 20th May.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th June, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 20th June, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th May, 1925. [2261]

RICKMERS LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"CLAUS BICKMERS"

Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-day.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 5th June, 1925, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th June, 1925, will be subject to rent.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must present an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
N. V. CARL RODRIKKE & CO.'S
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Agents, Rickmers Line.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1925. [2262]

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[2173]

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, The EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 1st JUNE.

Hongkong, 27th May, 1925. [2247]

NOTICE.

WE, The Underigned, HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, that We are Taking Over the AGENCY of the

HAMBURG AMERIKA LINE
As From JUNE 1st, 1925.

JERSEN & CO.,
12, Pedder Street.
Tel. C. 2225. [2240]

NOTICE.

FROM 1st of JUNE, 1925, Our Offices will be Located at 12, PEDDER STREET (Pedder Building).

JERSEN & CO.
Tel. C. 2225. [2241]

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that We the Underigned are Relinquishing the AGENCY of the

HAMBURG AMERIKA LINE
On the 31st INSTANT.

ARNHOLD & CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 27th May, 1925. [2245]

NOTICE.

MR. H. PERCY SMITH regrets that it has been impossible for him to personally say Farewell to many of his Friends and to thank them for all their kindness to him. He will be very glad at all times to hear from them.

Mr. H. PERCY SMITH leaves the Colony on the Blue Funnel "REVENGE" on the 1st of JUNE for England, where he has taken a House known as 10, MARINE TERRACE, BLOOMSBURY, NORTH WALES.

Letters to CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB, Northumberland Avenue, or to TRISTED HOUSE CLUB, London, will be forwarded.

[2250]

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LIMITED.

From LEITH, MIDDLESBROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON & STRAITS.

The Steamship "BENALDER."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence, and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th June, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 15th June, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 4th June, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th May, 1925. [2249]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER "MALWA."

ARRIVED HONGKONG, on 24th MAY, 1925.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, PORT SAID, ADEN, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary Six hours before arrival of the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GOSNOLD & DOUGLAS, at 10 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday, within the free storage period.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 17th June, 1925, or they will not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1925. [2254]

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 30th MAY, and MONDAY, 1st JUNE, 1925.

The First Ball will be Ring at 3 p.m. each day.

The Charge for Admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform, Half Price.

Members are advised that they must show their Season Tickets to obtain Admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each Member has the right of introducing 2 Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure, Tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. LESTER & DAVIS at \$5 each day up to Friday, 29th May, 1925.

The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

[2237]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held on SATURDAY, 6th JUNE, 1925, at 12.30 p.m., in the Jockey Club Room, HONGKONG CLUB ANNEX.

[2220]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 10th JUNE, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the Morning, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to 24th JUNE, 1925, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 18th May, 1925. [2212]

CHARLES MONTAGUE EDE, DECEASED.

ALL CLAIMS against the Estate of the above Deceased must be Sent to the Underigned forthwith.

DEACONS,
Solicitors,
Hongkong.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1925. [2230]

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

PUBLIC AUCTION

"VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY."

SITUATE at YAMKAT in the DEPENDENCY of KOWLOON and COLONY of HONGKONG and known as the Remaining Portion of Kowloon Island Lot No. 623, together with the five Messuages Erection and Buildings thereon in course of construction and

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY Order of the Mortgagee of VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situate at YAMKAT, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, and known as the Remaining Portion of Kowloon Island Lot No. 1369, together with No. 36, Portland Street, erected thereon to be Sold by AUCTION on

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Hongkong, 28th May, 1925. [2248]

H. V. D. CORPS.

1st ANNUAL

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(WHIT MONDAY)

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 30TH, 1925.

GARDENING & CATTLE-BREEDING IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR, in a speech at the interesting little function at Kam Tin, in the New Territory, the other day, remarked: "It has always seemed to me that the future of the New Territory lies largely in providing for the market of Hongkong." There is no doubt that given the necessary enterprise the New Territory could cater for the Hongkong meat and vegetable market to a far greater extent than has so far been the case.

His Excellency when he spoke to the Kam Tin community expressed the hope that the Elders in the New Territory villages would think over the possibility of developing these important industries. This is not the first time that advice of this kind has been given to the farmers of the Territory, but the Chinese farmer is probably the most conservative being on earth and consequently the progress in developing the undoubted possibilities in this direction in the New Territories has been slow.

For many years now the Government has run an experimental farm at Fanling and demonstrated what can be done there in cultivating fruits and vegetables of a quality greatly superior to what is produced by the Chinese farmer.

Sir Bonar and Lady Ho Tong also have provided in the same vicinity valuable proof on their farm of the productive capacity of the soil, as well as of what can be done in the way of pig and cattle breeding. The constant tendency of food prices in the Colony to increase, partly

because of taxes levied upon poultry, cattle and garden produce by the warring militarists in places in China from which we at present draw our supplies, makes this question of encouraging local production one of growing importance to the Colony.

There is no doubt whatever that Hongkong could get its fruit and vegetables, and also its poultry and pork, at prices much below the present market quotations if serious efforts were made to make the Colony more independent of outside sources of supply.

We recollect that the Hongkong Horticultural Society some years ago discussed a suggestion that a Prize Fund should be raised to encourage continuous effort among the farmers of the New Territory to improve the quality of their produce.

It was suggested that, for a beginning, they should aim at cultivating finer fruit, developing a better breed of chickens and not getting better eggs, but the Society took the view that this was trenching on ground that properly belonged to the Government, or, at all events, rather outside the province of a Horticultural Society which was formed to encourage private gardening.

Government activity in the matter, however, is confined to the experimental farm at Fanling, which undoubtedly serves a very useful purpose, but what is needed to ensure steady development along the lines indicated is well-organised efforts.

It may be recalled that a few months ago subscriptions were invited for the formation of a public company to undertake enterprises of this kind in the New Territories, one of the chief promoters being Mr. F. P. DE V. SOARES, who, for many years, has been experimenting in fruit and vegetable cultivation in the New Territories, and who has made a name for himself in local history as the originator of the scheme for the conversion of a foul-smelling swamp into what is to-day an attractive little garden city at Ho Mun Tin.

Formidable obstacles were encountered by him in the early stages of that enterprise, but his confidence in ultimate success inspired him with courage and pertinacity which carried the undertaking to a successful conclusion. He is exhibiting the same spirit in his latest enterprise.

While the New Territories Building and Agricultural Development scheme has so far failed to receive from the public financial support to anything like the extent of the desired quarter of a million dollars, the scheme is by no means dead.

Expert assistance was procured months ago, and no doubt, as the practicability of the scheme comes to be clearly demonstrated the capital will be forthcoming to make rapid and remunerative development possible.

Every resident in the Colony must sympathise with the object in view.

It is notified that the Exchange Banks will be closed on Wednesday, June 3rd.

The return of notifiable diseases for the 24 hours ended on May 28th shows 1 Indian case of enteric fever and 1 Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever.

Among the passengers who left on the Empress of Russia yesterday were Mr. Eldon Potter, Mr. Findlay Smith, Mr. J. H. Backhouse, and Mrs. M. Brennan.

The Japanese team and the Northern Chinese of the China team that participated in the recent Olympiad at Manila, left the Colony yesterday on the Empress of Russia.

The marriage has taken place at Peking between Mr. Ronald Sharp, of the British-American Tobacco Co., and Miss Alice Glasgow, a member of the U.S. Commercial Attaché's office staff.

A District Court-Martial will assemble at Murray Barracks on Tuesday next at 11 a.m. for the trial of Gnr. G. F. Bettley, H.Q. and D.E., R.A. Major F. G. Hyland, M.C., R.E., will preside.

Mr. Ho In has received a letter from the Chamber of Commerce at Kwong Chow, stating that rain has fallen there in the last few days. In consequence, the outlook for the rice crop is brighter.

Professor Middleton Smith, the Taihoo Professor of Engineering at the Hongkong University, left by the Malacca yesterday on a visit to Peking. He expects to be absent from the Colony for about a month.

Latest reports show that the Piece Goods Market has improved lately. Delivery orders have been issued by foreign firms to the Chinese merchants. Prices have risen 4 or 5 cents all round and the general tone is firm.

The public is informed that on and after Tuesday, June 2nd, the 8.35 a.m. fast train from Kowloon to Shum Chun and the 5.20 p.m. fast train from Shum Chun to Kowloon will be discontinued on Sundays and holidays.

The clever "Our Cabaret" Company presented another enjoyable and versatile programme at the Theatre Royal last night. The attendance, however, was very disappointing and the entertainment merited much stronger patronage.

Major-General and Mrs. C. C. Luard returned to Hongkong yesterday on the P. & O. s.s. *Moran*. Other passengers were: Capt. and Mrs. C. E. Lugard, Lieut. R. Q. F. Johnson, Lieut. H. S. Pugh, Mr. A. H. Compton, and Mr. H. R. Harling.

Chang Po Loong alias "Brilliant" Chang, who was deported from England, is still being detained at the Central Police Station. Enquiries yesterday elicited the information that the question of his banishment is yet to be considered by H.E. the Governor in Council.

At the Marine Court yesterday, before Lieut.-Commander G. F. Holt, R.N., Leung Fat Tai, a trading junk master, pleaded guilty to a charge of having on board his junk dangerous goods and remaining alongside the Pig On Wharf for more than fifteen minutes. His Worship fined defendant \$100, with three months' hard labour in default.

Two coolies engaged on excavation work on the hillside near the Netherlands Harbour Company on Wednesday afternoon were killed by the rain of that day. Two pieces of rock, weighing about 15 tons, became dislodged through a slight landslide underneath them, and the two coolies were buried underneath the debris. One man was dead when extricated, and the other died ten minutes after being recovered.

At the U.S. Court, Shanghai, on May 29th, Mr. L. G. Hume, the District Attorney, petitioned for the divorce of his wife on the grounds of desertion. Evidence was given by petitioner that respondent refused to live with him in Shanghai. Mr. R. T. Peyton-Griffin, court reporter, and Mr. Thurston R. Porter, the U.S. Marshal, also gave evidence in support of petitioner's claim. Plaintiff (represented by Mr. F. J. Schull) was granted a decree of divorce by Judge Purdy.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PRINCE OF WALES.

BASUTO HOMAGE TO THEIR
"GREAT WHITE CHIEF."

MASKEE, May 29th.

After postponement for a day, owing to rain, the greatest *haka* or council in the history of Basutoland took place. It was attended by 50,000 Basutos, including 20,000 horsemen, in addition to 1,000 white visitors from Johannesburg, Bloemfontein and other large towns. It opened in brilliant weather this morning. Perhaps it was the most moving and impressive scene of its kind in the whole of the Prince of Wales. The Basuto streambed in the whole of yesterday to a mighty camp, near Masaru, from their towering rugged hill fastnesses, many of which are 14,000 feet above sea level. They came mounted on foot, swinging battle-axes and knobkerries to do homage to their "Great White Chief." Teeming masses of warriors waited all day long, clad in bright-coloured blankets, in perfect formation; and when the postponement of the *haka* was announced, the vast assembly moved off without the slightest disorder to the hills, where they feasted and sang amidst a ring of bonfires. Eighty-five cattle were slaughtered and 500 bags of meal distributed to the natives, who, early in the morning, emerged from the hills in sections of twenty, as far as the eye could see, while thousands of riderless horses trotted in and were saddled and bridled, one man accompanying every 200.

EARLIER CABLES.

CAMPAIGN IN MOROCCO.

STATEMENT OF FRENCH
CASUALTIES.

PARIS, May 29th.

The French casualties in Morocco have hitherto been four hundred killed, of whom two-fifths are French and three-fifths natives and eleven hundred wounded, according to figures quoted by M. Poincaré in the Chamber, when debating the Moroccan situation. The Premier declined to reveal the number of French troops sent to Morocco. He assured the House that he would not unnecessarily prolong the pacificatory operations.

LATEST CABLES.

A LIVELY DEBATE.

PARIS, May 29th.

The Moroccan debate in the Chamber of Deputies was adjourned after lively discussion, in which M. Briand vigorously protested against the Communist assertion that the Foreign Office had been inactive as regards the French and English firms supplying Abd el-Krim with arms in 1923.

M. Briand added that he hoped France and Spain will shortly agree on measures to prevent this criminal supply of arms. France had gone to the limit of her patience in Morocco, and had only netted after being attacked. Whatever happened, nothing would induce France to drop the question of the international viewpoint. France would respect the treaties. Peace could be reached immediately; it only depended upon Abd el-Krim.

A Communist asked to whom the Rif district would then belong; M. Briand replied "to Spain."

Prior to the adjournment of the meeting, the Socialist parties decided to abstain from voting.

RUSSIANS IN FRANCE.

VISA OF MANY WILL NOT BE
RENEWED.

PARIS, May 29th.

The Foreign Minister has decided not to renew the visas on the passports of 480 Russians, who came to Paris after the recognition of the Soviet by France. They ostensibly came as delegates of export unions, but have since been discovered acting as Communist propagandists.

A DERBY ECHO.

PLACING OF FOURTH HORSE
CREATES SURPRISE.

LONDON, May 29th.

A surprising announcement in the *Jockey Calendar* records that Solaris was fourth in the Derby, not Warminster as everywhere reported.

Smyth's Warminster's jockey, states he finished, a length in front of Solaris.

EARLIER CABLES.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

BRITAIN DEFEATS DENMARK
IN SECOND ROUND.

COPENHAGEN, May 29th.

Britain beat Denmark in the second round of the Davis Cup tennis, winning the first three matches played.

In the doubles, Godfree and Kingsley beat Ulrich and Worm 7-5, 7-5, 9-2.

THE BELGIAN CABINET.

BRUSSELS, May 29th.

M. Max has abandoned his attempt to form a Cabinet.

AMATEUR GOLF.

RESULTS OF CONTESTS AT
WESTWARD HO.

LONDON, May 29th.

At Westward Ho, in the semifinals of the Amateur Golf Championship, the Scot, Robert Harris (Royal and Ancient) beat Noel Layton (Walton Heath) by one hole.

K. Fradgley (North Devon) beat H. Hardman (Birkdale) by two holes. Harris was followed by a large gallery. He was two up at the turn in 19. Layton squared at the sixteenth hole and halved the seventeenth, but ditched at the eighteenth, when he conceded the hole and the match.

Fradgley's win was likewise a close match. He turned square with 3, and the players were still square at the sixteenth. Hardman went in the hurn at the eighteenth and gave up.

Westward Ho is Fradgley's home course.

In the final, Harris was nine up on Fradgley at the end of the first round.

ENGLISH SPEAKING UNION.

LUNCHEON IN WELCOME OF
MR. HOUGHTON.

LONDON, May 29th.

A distinguished company presided over by Lord Birkenhead, including the Australian and South African High Commissioners, attended the English Speaking Union's luncheon to welcome the American Ambassador, Mr. Houghton.

Toasting Mr. Houghton, Lord Birkenhead said he came at a moment when Anglo-American relations, both diplomatic, social, and political, were never more harmonious. The prospect of twisting the lion's tail was once almost a common form of election in the United States, but now appeared to belong to remote history. (Laughter.)

He noted that memories of the Great War still prevailed to remind the British and the Americans, and warn the world, that in the last resort their ideals of civilization and humanity were identical.

Mr. Houghton, in reply, paid tribute to the work of the English Speaking Union in strengthening the understanding between their peoples, on which the happiness, security and peace of the world largely depended.

WORLD LABOUR.

PROCEEDINGS AT GENEVA
CONFERENCE.

GENEVA, May 29th.

This morning's sitting of the Labour Conference was occupied with speeches by Japanese and Indian delegates respecting the ratification of the Washington eight hour day convention.

Mr. Suzuki, the Japanese worker delegate, regretted the Japanese failure to ratify the convention. He said that Japanese workers will continue their efforts to secure ratification.

Mr. Joshi, the Indian worker delegate, regretted the delay in ratification of the convention by the Indian States. He said if Japan did not ratify the convention it was difficult for the workers in India to secure progress in respect of conditions of labour.

Sir J. Smith, the Indian employers' delegate, endorsed Mr. Joshi's remarks, and appealed to Japan to ratify the convention.

Mr. Mayeda, representing the Japanese Government, said the Government was in no way indifferent to the convention, but the Japanese factory act provided for improved conditions. He doubted the existence of keen competition between India and Japan in the matter of cotton manufactures.

IMMIGRATION PROBLEM.

Dealing with immigration, Mr. Mayeda said that there should not be any discrimination or racial or national differences. Sir A. Chatterjee, representing the Indian Government, said he hoped Japan would apply itself to the task of social progress, which affected India keenly. He concluded with an appeal to Japan, India and China to demonstrate that they were in no way behind the Western countries of the world in matters of social and economic progress.

DEFENCE OF GERMANY.

REICHSTAG REJECTS MOTION
BY SOCIALISTS.

BERLIN, May 29th.

The Reichstag has rejected a Socialist motion of censure as a protest against the defence estimates.

Herr Gessler declared that Germany was honourably fulfilling the Peace Treaty, but cannot sacrifice her freedom. He divulged the fact that in 1923, during the danger of civil war, the Government permitted an extension of the Reichswehr in violation of the treaty, but the temporary recruits were discharged later.

FLIGHT TO ARCTIC.

LESS ANXIETY REGARDING CAPT.
AMUNDSEN.

OSLO, May 29th.

According to the Aeronautic Association, Capt. Amundsen before his departure stated that his flight would probably last a fortnight. Hence the Association sees no reason to suppose that the explorer has met with an accident.

Nevertheless, the Association has requested two naval aeroplanes to assist the *Hobby* and *Furin*, which at the end of a fortnight will begin a search.

PETROLEUM DIVIDEND.

THE HAGUE, May 29th.

The Royal Dutch Petroleum Co. recommends a dividend of 13 per cent.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE JAPANESE FLIGHT.

BAD WEATHER NECESSITATES
FORCED DESCENT.

PEKING, May 29th.

The Japanese Navy authorities in Peking received a telegram early this morning stating that the Japanese aeroplanes lost their way in heavy rain and thick fog and were forced to land near Chinchow. The planes and pilots are quite safe and are expected to reach Nanyuan this morning.

THE FIRST NEWS.

PEKING, May 29th.

The Japanese aviators departed from Heijo at seven this morning, but up to eight o'clock this evening nothing more had been heard of them since they passed over Liaoyang at ten o'clock.

It is thought probable that they lost their way in a fog and landed at some point where communication with Peking is impossible.

ARRIVAL IN PEKING.

PEKING, May 29th.

The two Japanese aeroplanes arrived at Nanyuan aerodrome this afternoon. They were forced to land at Chinchow yesterday morning. Attempts to renew the flight yesterday afternoon and early this morning failed, owing to the heavy rains. They set off successfully at 11.30 a.m. to-day and were enthusiastically received on arrival, the airmen being presented with many bouquets and other souvenirs.

Lieutenant Kikuchi has received the War Order (fourth grade) and Sub-Lieutenant Hayada the fifth grade decoration. The aviators' mechanics have also been given Chinese aviation medals.

ITALIAN AVIATOR.

RIMA, May 29th.

Major di Pinedo, the Italian aviator, has arrived here on his world flight.

MORO REBELS.

CLASH WITH CONSTABULARY
FORCES.

MANILA, May 29th.

Following the expiration of his ultimatum, the Constabulary Sub-Major Orville M. Johnston has attacked the Sultan Sa Raya, the disaffected Mohammedan leader at Lanno, who has been holding the fort for many weeks despite a personal visit by Governor General Wood recently, urging him to surrender. Several Moros were killed, though a large number escaped.

A field gun, a Stokes mortar and two heavy seaplanes aided the attack. It is believed that the Moros rushed out and broke through the Constabulary cordon when the firing began, and it is also thought that the Sultan has escaped. There were no casualties to the Constabulary.

SUICIDE HONoured.

DEATH IN PROTEST AGAINST
EXCLUSION ACT.

TOKYO, May 29th.

A public memorial service is to be held, on May 31st, in honour of an unidentified man, who committed suicide near the American Embassy last year, as a protest against the passing of the Exclusion Act.

LATEST CABLES.

PLANS OF MR. MORRIS.

MANNA WILL RUN IN RACE FOR
ST. LEGER.

LONDON, May 29th.

Mr. Morris will not return to China unless it is necessary before the St. Leger, in which race Manna can meet Piccone, who was a warm favourite for the Derby until injured, and Snuffy Sue.

EARLIER CABLES.

OWNER'S WINNINGS.

LONDON, May 29th.

Mr. Morris's winnings through the victory of Manna totalled £50,000. In addition he bought a half share in the winning ticket of the Stock Exchange sweep, for £3,000, but he disposed of half this to Mr. Solly Joel.

TYPHOID IN FIJI.

A steamer arriving from Fiji reports
that twelve white and two hundred natives
had died in the islands from typhoid, up
to May 18th.

LATEST CABLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

TRAIN SMASH IN U.S.

PASSENGER CARS PLUNGE OVER
EMBANKMENT.

LONG VIEW, TEX., May 29th.

Four persons were killed and five injured as the result of the international Great Northern passenger train plunging over a steep embankment. The engine and three coaches rolled to the bottom of the incline.

EARLIER CABLES.

MINE DISASTER IN U.S.

RALPH, N. CAROLINA, May 29th.

All hopes of rescuing the entombed miners in the Sanford mine have been abandoned.

POLITICAL SITUATION
IN CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SOVIET ANXIOUS.

THINKS CHINA HAS TURNED
HER BACK.

RIGA, May 29th.

The Soviet politicians are stated to regard as disquieting Japan's growing power along the Pacific coast and suggest that it is high time that Washington and Moscow should confront the menace jointly. They talk of a Pro-Japanese grouping at Mukden and conclude that Marshal Chang Tso Lin has turned his face from Moscow. The press states that Chang Tso Lin recently offered the British and American Consuls at Mukden to begin an anti-Bolshevik campaign by cancelling the Soviet rights in the Chinese Eastern Railway in return for a loan of \$20,000,000.

BOXER INDEMNITY.

FRANCE TO CONFER IN CHINA
IN OCTOBER.

PARIS, May 29th.

A sequel to the Franco-Chinese convention regarding payment of the Boxer Indemnity is now expected. The French Government will ratify at the beginning of June the Nine Powers Convention, concluded at Washington in 1921, and signatories will confer, in October, at Shanghai, on the subject of the Chinese tariff, railway matters, and unpaid foreign loans. A preliminary conference may be held in order to reconcile the Powers' divergent views.

CANTON NEWS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

GEN. TANG CHI YAO.

A Hongkong correspondent of a Canton newspaper understands that General Tang Chi Yao, *Tsueh* of Yunnan, whose army is invading Kwangsi with an aim ultimately to march on Kowloon, has arrived at Hongkong and has been entertaining lavishly since May 29th, but close inquiry in circles which are familiar with such movement has failed even to estimate a date about which General Tang will arrive in Canton. That he may come by way of Hongkong is probable, it is admitted.

EDITOR RETURNS.

Mr. Tang Tien Wu, editor of the *Wen An Daily News* at Macao, deported by the Portuguese authorities, on May 23rd, on a charge of political utterances detrimental to the interest of the community, has returned to Canton. He blamed a well-known Chinese gambler in Macao for his deportation, in his public statements in the Canton press.

BLOWS ON THE BUND.

Bolsheviks in Canton, it is reported, will make capital out of a recent alleged assault by three French sailors on a *juke* of a local shop, for an anti-imperialist demonstration. The unpleasant incident took place on the Bund, Canton, on the evening of May 21st, when the sailors escaped arrest by native police by taking refuge at Shamone, when pursued.

RISKY TRAVELLING.

On account of the extreme risk of playing between Canton and ports inland have to run since the absence of local authorities and the changes of stations among militarists in view of the expected coup d'état in the Southern Capital, many West River boats are now only running on irregular schedules and calling at ports they deem safe, thus dislocating the whole Delta traffic and causing great inconvenience. Some vessels have seen fit to suspend traffic altogether until the final outcome of the present unrest in Canton.

TRADE MARK REGISTRATION.

Canton authorities are calling on foreign as well as native firms to register their trade marks, but so far very little response has been given in view of the uncertain tenure of the Bolshevik officials. More than 150 trade marks should have taken out registrations, but less than 30 have done so. It will cost \$40 to \$45 to have a registration perfected.

MATTING WORKERS' STRIKE.

The strike of the matting workers in Canton is really more serious than it appears, according to the matting exporters, who are charging their employees in this city with being unreasonable and having gone outside of their sphere of interest. The exporters have tried to point out that most of the products shipped from Canton are manufactured in Tungku and nearby districts and the workers in Canton connected with the godowns are assigned only with the work of giving some finishing touches to the matting before packing for export, and in some cases, goods are transhipped directly from junks from the factory districts to coastal or foreign ocean steamers without going through the workers' hands in the godowns at Canton. The exporters are condemning the stevedores union for siding with the workers in Canton by refusing to load goods on steamers, an act interfering with the thousands of matting workers inland who are not benefited by it. On the other hand the workers in this article in Canton declare that they must be given better conditions and higher wages on account of the growing increase in the cost of living.

"MASKEE."

CROWD WHO WAITED VAINLY
TO SEE MAGIC FEATS.

An unusual sight in Polder Street yesterday morning quickly accumulated the usual large gathering of Chinese conversationalists of the leisure classes, both prosperous and poor in pocket.

Two European gentlemen moved about in a graceful if apparently erratic fashion, in the roadway close to Brewster's bookshop. One was unnumbered, but the other—and this is what so intrigued the voluble Chinese onlookers—was clamped upon his head a set of listening-fittings, connected by means of a wire with a wooden framework about 3 ft. square and with bright metal corners, which he held waist-high above the ground.

With this apparatus held delicately in both hands, he moved about the roadway, accompanied by his conditor, now towards the kerb and now towards the centre, cars parked in the middle of the street obligingly moving to allow him to take up any positions he required.

The Chinese grew goggle-eyed with mystified anticipation, evidently expecting flowers to burgeon miraculously within the magic square, or baby bunnies, perhaps, or tiny chickens to come suddenly into being at the wizard's command.

And though none of these things happened, the crowd of Celestial gazers constantly increased, while a representative of the *Daily Press* ventured to ask the unnumbered gentleman what doings were afoot.

It appeared that a fault had been detected in an underground electric cable in the near vicinity of the spot, and an attempt was being made to locate it precisely by means of the apparatus, which gave forth a buzzing noise as the defect was approached, and gradually ceased to buzz as the investigator receded.

After a while the experts withdrew, and the spectators dispersed, consoling themselves with typical Chinese philosophy for the flowers that did not burgeon and the chicks that did not cluck.

"DIRTY LINEN."

LADY WHO DID NOT LOVE HER
NEIGHBOUR.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. S. B. B. McEllderry, Mrs. Leung Shi, of 36, Stanley Street, second floor, was summoned by Mrs. Wan Shi, who occupies the lower floor.

Mr. Turner appeared for the complainant and Mr. F. Whitehouse represented the defendant.

Mr. Turner said that defendant had made herself objectionable by throwing offensive matter and water on the floor and staircase, which dripped through the boards, causing inconvenience to his client. When asked to abate the nuisance, defendant made matters worse by resorting to bad language.

In reply to His Worship as to whether the matter could not be settled out of court, Mr. Turner said that the summons was taken out at the request of the defendant, who said that "if she were brought to Court she would not care."

As the case was likely to occupy some time in hearing, His Worship adjourned it until Friday afternoon, remarking that he would like very much to see the dispute settled out of Court.

Mr. Turner: The linen has been washed in dirty water already, and that is part of the charge.

\$2,000 OPIUM HAUL.

TWO INDIANS CHARGED WITH
POSSESSION.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, two Indians, Khalas Khan, a watchman of No. 1, Bowling Street, and Sergeant Miam Khan, Gun Club Hill, Whitfield Barracks, were charged with having had in their possession 100 taels of raw opium, valued at \$2,000.

Mr. H. V. Armstrong represented Sergt. Miam Khan.

A Chinese detective sergeant related the events which led up to the arrest of defendants. He was approached by an Indian at the Star Ferry who asked him if he wished to buy any opium. He acquiesced and went with the Indian to the Whitfield Barracks where he saw the defendants who produced several packages from under a bed. These contained in all 100 lbs. of raw opium which he was offered at \$20 a lb. He therefore arranged to meet the defendants the next night in Jordan Road, and in the meantime informed Inspector Andrews, who was told that one of the defendants would bring the opium in a tin.

That night it rained heavily, and defendants appeared but were told to come the next night. On the night of the 16th he went to the barracks with a \$1,000 in notes, which had been given him by Inspector Andrews. Having shown the notes to defendants he told them he would hire a motor-car and would return for them. This done, he led the defendants to the road, and Inspector Andrews emerged from his hiding place and addressed them in English. The Inspector arrested the two men. The case was adjourned.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TELEPHONE CO.'S SHARES.
[TO THE EDITOR OF "THE HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—The lengthy letter from Mr. Taggart invites further discussion. There are still other matters which are of interest to the public and Mr. Alabaster may care to bring them forward when the local Legislature is considering the Ordinance.

Under what system will the shares offered to the public be allotted? Would it be possible to give the small investor a chance in the following manner. Instead of giving out the shares *pro rata* applications, allow every applicant either 100 or 500 or any really fair figure, before considering the amount applied for. Several big financiers may each apply for all the shares on the assumption that they will only get one-tenth of their application. There might be some assurance that, instead of the *pro rata* disposal of shares, a scheme will be devised to have a maximum number of shareholders.

No sensible person imagines that the local Government will allow the Directors to dispose of the shares as they like. Nor should it be possible to arrange a "ramp" on Lee House Street. The Government has a great responsibility in this formation of the latest public utility company.—Yours,

CITIZEN.

ALERT INSPECTOR.

SENSE OF COLOUR DETECTS
TICKET SWINDLE.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. S. B. B. McEllderry, a Chinese was charged with evading payment of the tram fare.

Mr. J. H. Simmons, an Inspector of the Tramway Company, stated that the defendant attempted to pass off an old monthly ticket very much of the same colour as that for the current month, but an inspection revealed the difference, and defendant was requested to pay his fare. He said he had only bank-notes, but when pressed, he confessed that he had no money on him and proceeded to leave the tram. On looking into the records it was found that the last ticket was issued to defendant in March of last year.

Defendant was fined \$10 and His Worship remarked that the case was a serious one, but the Ordinance under which defendant was charged did not give him power to inflict a heavier penalty.

BOY STABBED.

ALLEGED VICIOUS ACT BY
SCHOOL-FELLOW.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, before Mr. S. B. B. McEllderry, the sequel to a story told in two school-fellows, one of whom was stabbed in the groin by the other with a pocket-knife, took place when Chan Wan Lam, unemployed, a school-boy aged 16 years was charged with grievously wounding Tang Hun Shing, another school-boy, aged 19 years.

The evidence showed that while Tang Hun Shing was proceeding along Queen's Road on May 6th to the Tak Ming Tea House, he was accosted by Chan Wan Lam, a former school-mate, who asked him where he was going. As complainant was not on good terms with defendant he did not answer, but when defendant persisted in speaking to him he told him not to trouble him. Defendant thereupon stabbed him in the groin with a pocket-knife. Later defendant, who ran away after committing the assault, was arrested in a shop.

The wound proved of a serious nature and the complainant was in hospital for three weeks in consequence. Defendant was remanded.

LOCKED IN.

A MASTER'S STRANGE ACTION TO
SERVANT.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. L. Maurin, manager of the Compagnie Optique, prosecuted his Annamite servant for leaving his service without notice.

So that she might not leave the house without his permission, he said, he locked her in and went and consulted the French Consul, but on his return the woman had gone, having opened the door of the servant's quarters with a key of one of the rooms which fitted the lock.

Plaintiff gave evidence to the effect that defendant had worked at his residence, No. 334, Cameron Villas, since March 15th and gave entire satisfaction. On May 6th she brought with her to the house a man, who she said was her husband, and asked him (complainant) for permission to proceed at once to Tongking on urgent business. She volunteered to find a substitute but as her services were necessary he desired that she should remain for a further two days. On the 6th of May she told him that she was leaving immediately, so he locked her in the house, from which she escaped.

His Worship told complainant that he had been wrong in detaining the woman, and she was discharged with a caution.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown and all Claims must be presented within Two Weeks of the Steamship's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognized.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst., at 10 a.m., will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Monday, the 1st June, 1925, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged Packages will be examined on Saturday, the 30th inst., at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goldard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
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Hongkong, 24th May, 1925.

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All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Monday, the 1st June, 1925, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged Packages will be examined on Saturday, the 30th inst., at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goldard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by R. RODENFUSSE, Agent.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1925.

S.S. "PORTHOS"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, Monday, the 29th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered after Monday, the 1st June, 1925, at 10 a.m., will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Wednesday, the 3rd June, 1925, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged Packages will be examined on Saturday, the 30th inst., at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goldard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by R. RODENFUSSE, Agent.
Hongkong, 24th May, 1925.

CROSSING THE SAHARA. MOTOR CONQUEST OF UNKNOWN AFRICA.

"Darkest Africa" of yesterday appears likely to become the motorists' playground of to-morrow. Ten years ago the suggestion that the Sahara desert could be crossed by any self-propelled vehicle would have aroused derision, while the hint that a motor car could penetrate into the mysterious heart of Africa would have been received as a piece of madness. Since then quite normal types of motor cars have travelled from the Mediterranean to the Gulf of Guinea and from the Atlantic coast to the Red Sea. Much of the credit for opening up Africa to the motorist lies with the special types of machines which first made the complete journey across the Sahara from Algeria to the Niger Valley and then pushed further south to the West African coast. The various expeditions which followed showed that, contrary to all expectations, there existed tracks across the Sahara quite suitable for almost normal types of motor cars, and when the bi-weekly Trans-African passenger service was organized this year, arrangements were made for about 95 per cent of the distance to be covered by wheeled cars. Unfortunately, owing to the neglect to provide protection against marauding tribes, this service had to be abandoned just when it appeared certain of complete success.

It is interesting to recall that the first expedition into the Sahara, was accomplished by wheel type cars. Early in 1910 orders were given to the Motor Transport Service of the French Army to prepare supplies of food and petrol over the desert from Toungourt to Tamarassat, a distance of nearly one thousand miles, in preparation for an expedition which it was proposed to make from Algeria to Timbuctoo, and from there to the Senegal. Camels were to be used from Toungourt to In Salah, and from this point to Tamarassat, 470 miles across the terrible Tanezrouft, or Land of Thirst, motor vehicles were to be employed.

The officer in charge of the expedition secured eighteen Fiat lorries, which had already seen considerable service in the Army, and managed to pick up, at various points, fourteen other cars, all of them having been in use for a long time. As the official reports subsequently revealed, this motor expedition into the Sahara was an heroic example of mismanagement. The cars, dropped down ravines, they embedded themselves in the sand, the men rotated during the day and the mullators froze at night, the oil had to be used in the engines, the supply of tyres became exhausted, and the castings had to be stuffed with equal's hides.

Thanks to the wonderful energy and determination of the French soldiers, the Fiat convoy entered Tamarassat a month later, to the amusement of the natives, who beheld motor vehicles for the first time. A fortnight afterwards three aeroplanes, one of them carrying General Laperriere, glided down just as night was falling. The rejoicing was of short duration, for a few days after they had set out again for the Niger it was learned that General Laperriere had been forced to land and was lost somewhere in the desert. Two of the Fiat lorries were sent out in search of the missing aeroplane, and pushed almost to the Sudan frontier without discovering the machine. A group of natives mounted on fast camels were more successful, but unfortunately they arrived too late to save the life of the General.

If the outward journey of the motor convoy had been difficult, the return was terrible. Ill-prepared for such an expedition, lacking water, petrol, oil, tyres and food, frequently obliged to travel at midday in the heat of a central African Summer, often unable to discover traces of the track, handicapped by the inexperience of some of the young recruits, it was only by miracles of energy that this first motor convoy into the Sahara returned to its base in this pioneer expedition. Within five years of this pioneer expedition it was discovered that there existed, farther to the west, another route from Algeria to the Niger valley, offering such favourable conditions that practically any normal type motor vehicle could cross the Sahara desert in comparative ease. The experience of 1919 had been costly in lives and money; it was rich in heroism and undoubtedly it paved the way for the motor conquest of unknown Africa.

MOISTURE AND LOVE.

In America they are always discovering things. They have discovered (in the State of Tennessee) that Darwin was all wrong and have made it illegal to teach Evolution. They have discovered that many people will vote for abolishing liquor and yet break the law systematically to get it. And now an American professor has discovered the real reason why

"in the spring the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love."

"It is because there is more damp in the air, he says. Dampness makes us feel we want somebody to love us. Moisture makes the heart grow fonder. No doubt if careful inquiry were made, it could be found that all the best love poems have been written on rainy days."

All this might seem moonshine were it not for another discovery this same professor has made. Dampness also "causes people to shun work." Well, England is a very damp country, and England has a larger "leisure class" than any other. Now what is the professor would say, "what do you know about that?"

It is brought home to me with every day that I pass at my work that Europe is moving uneasily, slowly, it may be, but certainly to a new catastrophe. Mrs. Austen Chamberlain.

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WEATHER REPORT.

May 29th at 17.25.—Pressure has decreased moderately over north Japan, and slightly over south Japan and Formosa; it has increased slightly elsewhere, and remains highest to the east of Hokkaido.

An area of relatively low pressure covers the China Sea and extends across the Philippines to the Pacific.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, May 29th 0.60 inch. Total since January 1st, 23.44 inches, against an average of 22.50 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, May 30th is as follows—

District	Forecast
Formosa Channel	N. winds, moderate.
Hongkong to Gap Rock	E. winds, moderate.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocka do

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan do

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, May 29th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.77	29.79	29.81
Temperature	75	75	81
Humidity	78	77	67
Wind Direction	E	ENE	E
Force	3	1	3
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	0.01	0.00	0.01
Highest open-air Temperature on 29th	80
Lowest open-air Temperature on 29th	73

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From May 30th to June 4th, 1925.

Day of Week	Days of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		H'kong Standard Time	Height	H'kong Standard Time	Height
Satur.	30	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Sun.	31	0 57	5 6	9 51	1 7
Mon.	1	6 13	4 3	8 41	4 2
Tues.	2	2 5	5 2	10 42	1 6
Wed.	3	5 59	4 8	10 52	3 8
Thur.	4	4 2	5 0	11 54	3 3
Fri.	5	6 38	5 5	10 13	1 0
		4 46	5 0	10 50	1 5
		7 9	5 1	10 49	1 9
		7 46	4 9	11 42	1 8
		7 42	5 8	11 32	2 1
		8 44	4 8	9 51	1 1

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FROM THE HOME COURTS

Woman in Wales: I am sorry to say that this man is my son-in-law. The man: Her prisoner-of-war she means, look you.

Girl wife at Willeddon: We had a nice wedding, but my husband "opped" next day and is now living in private with his mother.

Man at the Thames Court: Can my wife talk? She would talk the handle of an Aldgate pump.

Willeddon woman: I never answered her back, and now can I have a summons for definition of character?

Nottinghamshire wife: I saw my husband in a café with another woman. Husband: The "woman" was nine years of age.

Manfield, policeman: You bit my hand. Man: I did not; it was the beer that did it.



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CINEMA NOTES.

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This same story is told in the New World. A ship, for example, is being built for the "last of the American whaling ships." In the hurricane that swept the North Atlantic coast last autumn the only active square-rigger whaler, the *Wanderer*, was wrecked on the Cuttyhunk rocks before she was fairly started on her voyage.

That left the *Charles W. Morgan* alone, and this venerable ship is to be preserved as a relic of an industry that brought fame and wealth to America and particularly to the whaling port of New Bedford.

BUILT IN 1841.

The *Morgan's* whaling days ended in 1908. She was built in 1841 by Jethro and Zachariah Hillman, of New Bedford, a bluff-bowed, square-stemmed vessel of live oak with copper fastenings and sheathing, and she has cruised over every whaling ground from the Arctic to the Antarctic, from Africa to the Okhotsk Sea.

For almost 18 years the *Morgan* sailed out of San Francisco to the northern and Japanese whaling grounds, but the competition of steam whalers eventually proved too keen, and the old vessel returned to her home port and idleness.

Save for a few short trips with moving picture companies, the *Morgan* had been tied to a wharf at Fairhaven, across the stream from New Bedford, for years. But her friends have not forgotten the whaler, and her last port will not be a marine graveyard.

Charles W. Morgan, for whom the vessel was named, was her first owner. Her second owner was Edward Mott Robinson, the father of Hetty Green; the vessel went in turn into the hands of I. Howland, jun., and W. B. Wing & Co.; Captain Benjamin D. Cleveland, who hunted sea elephants off Desolation Island; the John A. Cook Co., and, finally, Harry Neyland.

EXHIBITION.

Last summer Mr. Neyland acquired, mostly by gift, 28 out of the 32 shares in the vessel, and has made arrangements with Colonel E. H. R. Green, Hetty Green's son, to take care of the *Morgan*.

Colonel Green is now having a concrete crib built, and the whaler will be floated into it. Then sand will be pumped round her, and she will become "The Whaler Charles W. Morgan Enshrined and Round Hills Repository of Maritime Antiquities." Round Hills is the Green estate below New Bedford.

For this purpose the *Morgan* is being refitted according to her original sail plan. She began her career as a full-rigged ship, but was cut down to a barque in 1867.

Some of the parts salvaged from the *Wanderer*, says a writer in the *New York Times*, will be used in refitting the *Morgan*, and in her crib she will be the typical New Bedford whaler, the last representative of a fleet that carried the Stars and Stripes over the seven seas.

BEDFORD SCHOOL.

Old Bedfordians will be interested to know that "A History of Bedford School" by the late John Sargeant, M.A., edited and completed by Ernest Hockliffe, M.A., has just been published by Messrs. T. Fisher Unwin, Ltd. The School has a very interesting history reaching back some three hundred and sixty years, and it is safe to say that no boy who received his education in this well-known school will neglect to add this "History" to his literary treasures. The volume which contains several illustrations, is published at 15/-.

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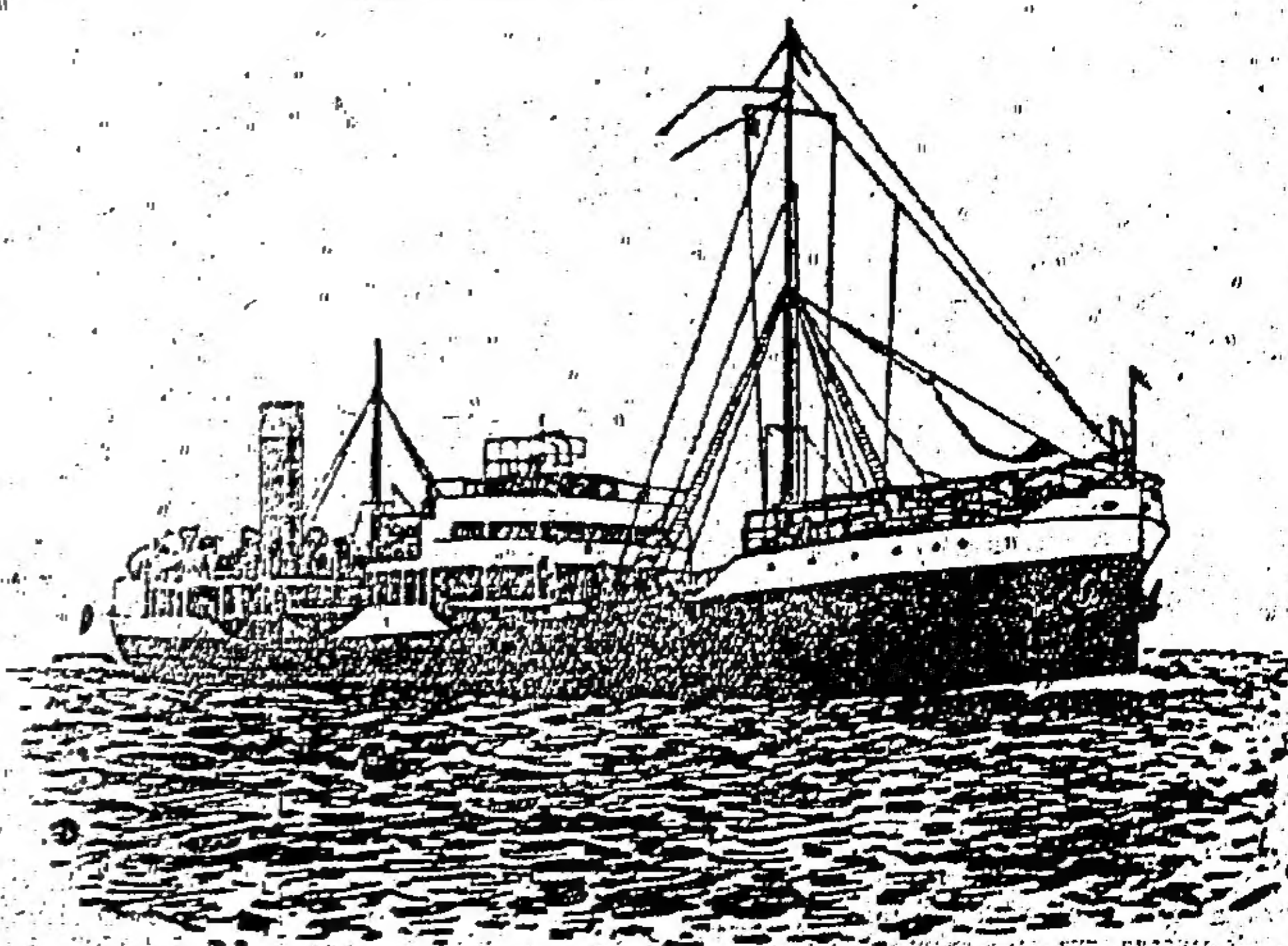
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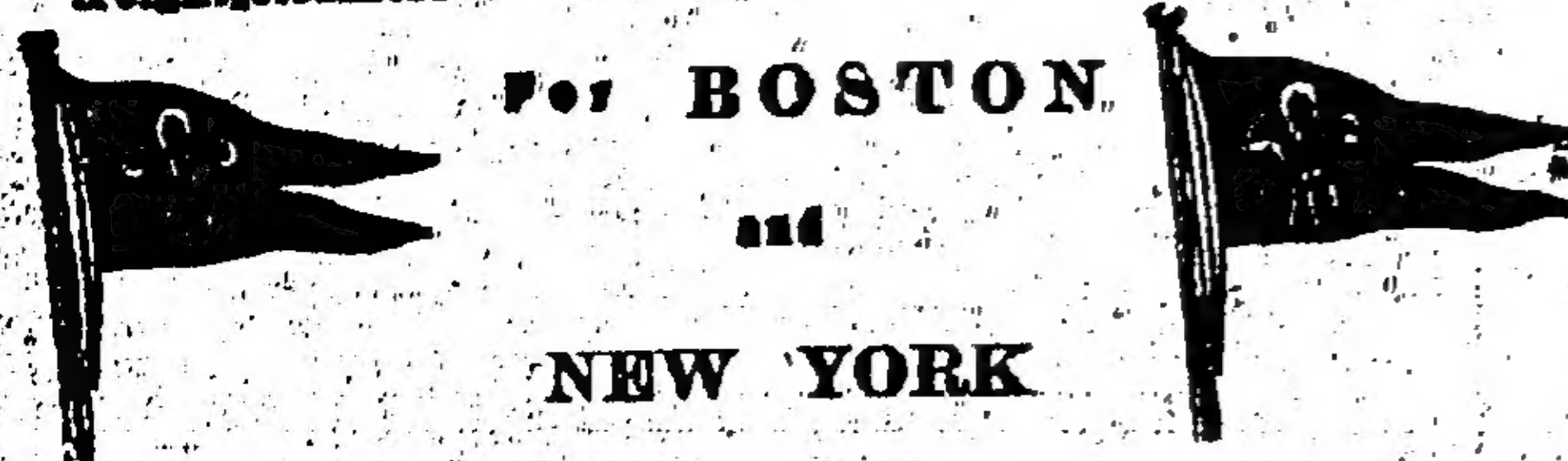
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"KALYAN"	9,135	1st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"TANDA"	6,858	7th Nov.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"MOREA"	10,911	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"KASHMIR"	8,885	18th Nov.	do
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	18th Nov.	do
"ARAFURA"	6,000	12th Dec.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama

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SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGTUNG"	On 31st May, 11 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SZECHUEN"	On 1st June, 5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & NEWORHANG	"ICHANG"	On 2nd June, 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"LINAN"	On 3rd June, Noon.
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE	"CHINHUA"	On 4th June, 11 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"HANTUNG"	On 4th June, 11 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUIHOW"	On 5th June, 4 p.m.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	"TEAN"	On 5th June, 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"YINGCHOW"	On 6th June, Noon.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SUNING"	On 7th June, 11 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU"	On 7th June, 11 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KUNGHOW"	On 9th June, 11 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANKING"	On 9th June, Noon.

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S.S. "ESQUILINO"	...	Sails 10th July
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On Monday, the 1st June, and Wednesday, the 3rd June, the G.P.O. and Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—

The G.P.O.—8 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. on both days.
Kowloon and Shamshuipo Branches—8 a.m. to 9 a.m. on both days.
Shamshuipo Branch—8 a.m. to 9 a.m., and 5.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on both days.
Wantsai, Saiyungpoo and Tsimshui Branches—8 a.m. to 9 a.m., and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on both days.

There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day as on Sunday, and also one delivery of registered correspondence from the G.P.O. each day at 8 a.m.
The Money Order Office will be entirely closed on both days.

The transmission of Radio Telegrams to Swatow subject to delay until further notice.

INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
SHANGHAI ...	London ...	30th May
SHANGHAI ...	Swatow ...	30th May
SHANGHAI via SINGAPORE (London 8th May)	Riesner ...	30th May
JAPAN ...	Tokyo ...	31st May
SWATOW ...	Kat Sang ...	31st May
SHANGHAI ...	Nagoya ...	31st May
AUSTRALIA & MANILA ...	Chongchik ...	1st June
JAPAN ...	Tokyo ...	1st June
MANILA ...	Pres. Madison ...	1st June
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN, SHANGHAI & LONDON via CANADA (London 2nd May)	Emp. of Australia ...	3rd June
AUSTRALIA & MANILA ...	Pres. Wilson ...	5th June
JAPAN ...	Arakawa ...	5th June
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Hakoniemi ...	5th June
U.S.A., HONGKONG, JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Pres. Jackson ...	5th June
U.S.A., HONGKONG, JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Pres. Polk ...	8th June
U.S.A., HONGKONG, JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Pres. Lincoln ...	9th June

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Hoihow ...	Borneo ...	Saturday, 30th, 8.0 A.M.
Swatow ...	Livingstone ...	8.0 A.M.
Swatow ...	Solomon ...	9.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 16th June ...	Morocco ...	Registration Letters 9.45 A.M.
Wai Hai Wei ...	Chong Shing ...	10.00 A.M.
Java via Batavia ...	Tyikarong ...	11.30 A.M.
Shanghai ...	Ukusan ...	2.30 P.M.
Hoihow ...	Mingyang ...	5.00 P.M.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong ...	Hanoi ...	5.00 P.M.
Haiphong ...	Tonkin ...	Sunday, 31st, 8.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ...	Kiao Mar ...	9.00 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok ...	Kiangtung ...	9.00 A.M.
JUNE		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 3rd July ...	Riesner ...	1st, Registration Letters 8.30 A.M.
Swatow ...	Hydrangea ...	8.30 A.M.
Amoy ...	Szechuen ...	9.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C.C. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 27th June ...	Tenyo Maru ...	Reg. Letters 9.45 A.M.
*Swatow and Bangkok ...	Hong Sang ...	Tuesday, 2nd, 10.30 A.M.
Straits and Calcutta ...	Taira ...	10.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C.C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 22nd June ...	Pres. Madison ...	Letters 11.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Focow ...	Pres. Madison ...	Letters 11.00 A.M.
Swatow ...	Pres. Madison ...	Letters 11.00 A.M.
Swatow ...	Pres. Madison ...	Letters 11.00 A.M.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Is.—18th June ...	Taira ...	Letters 11.00 A.M.
Swatow ...	Fooking ...	Wednesday, 3rd, 8.30 A.M.
Shanghai ...	Lunan ...	9.00 A.M.
Amoy ...	Kulsang ...	9.00 A.M.
Japan ...	Bokyo Maru ...	9.00 A.M.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only

COMMERCIAL OPENING QUOTATIONS.

May 29th, 1925.

On London—	Telegraphic Transfer ...	1/2 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand ...	1/2 1/2	15/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ...	1/2 1/2	15/16
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ...	1/2 1/2	15/16
Credit, at 4 months' sight ...	1/2 1/2	15/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight ...	1/2 1/2	15/16
On Paris—	Bank Bills, on demand ...	1.085
Credit, 4 months' sight ...	1.183	
On New York—	Bank Bills, on demand ...	54 1/2
Credit, at 30 days' sight ...	56	
On Bombay—	Telegraphic Transfer ...	149 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand ...	149 1/2	
On Calcutta—	Telegraphic Transfer ...	149 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand ...	149 1/2	
On Shanghai—	Bank Bills, at sight ...	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight ...	nom.	
On Yokohama—	On demand ...	1100
On Manila—	On demand ...	86
On Singapore—	On demand ...	143 1/2
On Batavia—	On demand ...	nom.
On Hongkong—	On demand ...	80 1/2
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